

NEW TRADITIONS

NEW ALBUM WITH MATHIAS ALGOTSSON TRIO

After have been playing with many musicians and artists such as Rigmor Gustafsson, Magnus Lindgren and Barbara Hendricks to name a few, and with groups like his own trio and the duo Algotsson – Setterlind the pianist Mathias Algotsson is now releasing the first CD in his own name in Sweden.

Mathias has written most of the music on the album which includes som arrangements of swedish psalms and folksongs. Mathias has made two albums which got great recognitions on the Japanese label Spice of life. The latest album includes the drummer Ed Thigpen for instance.

The idea to this album was originally born after a duoconcert with Barbara Hendricks a couple of years ago when she sung swedish folksongs. The concert was held in a very nice Dalecarlia environment which also might have contributed to that Mathias wanted to do a recording in a more jazz-/folklore touch.

After digging around among his old songs Mathias found some music that together with new and arranged material became this album.

Also the recordlabel have a premiere – the album is released on the new label Inside Music.

Mathias Algotsson Trio is Mathias Algotsson - piano, Kristian Lind - bass and Calle Rasmusson - drums. On the album also the bassist Fredrik Jonsson appears. On one track Magnus Lindgren is present playing the clarinet.

The pianist and composer **Mathias Algotsson** was born in 1971 in Stockholm and is one of the frontnames among swedish jazzpianist. Studied at the royal conservatory of music in Stockholm 1992-96 and after that working as a jazz pianist, both behind artists such as Barbara Hendricks, Rigmor Gustafsson, Lisa Ekdahl to name a few and as a bandleader. For instance with his own trio, which has made two albums for the Japanese label Spice of life. "Young and foolish" in 2006 and "In Copenhagen" with special guest Ed Thigpen in 2007. Both has got great recognition in Japan. Mathias has played at the major scenes around Europe, for instance at the Nice and Montreux jazzfestivals, Théâtre des Champs-Élysées and Olympia in Paris and has also worked a lot together with saxophoneplayer and composer Magnus Lindgren in different constellations during the years.

Mathias is also present in various recordings, both as a pianist and composer, and has composed music for choir published by the well known publisher Gehrman in 2007 and in 2008 he composed music for a choirconcert in october. He is also composing new music for a concert in the fall 2009. Mathias has received a number of scholarships and awards during the years, most recent the "Arne Domnérus-award" founded by the famous swedish saxophoneplayer Arne Domnérus. Other awards during the years are "The Thore Svanerud Award" (1997), "Stallbröderna" (1999) and awards from the city of Stockholm (2001), STIM, SKAP and Konstnarsnamnden.

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