Mp3 Johannes Zetterberg - Luna Nueva

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Swedish jazz fusion, West Coast style. Featuring (among others): Eric Marienthal (Chick Corea Elektric Band), Jay Oliver (Dave Weckl/Dave Weckl Band), Jason Rebello (Sting, Jeff Beck) Otmaro Ruiz (Frank Gambale, Gino Vanneli, John McLaughlin). 10 MP3 Songs in this album (42:30)! Related styles: JAZZ: Jazz Fusion, JAZZ: Contemporary Jazz People who are interested in Chick Corea Elektric Band Yellowjackets Dave Weckl should consider this download. Details: The first solo CD by Swedish bassplayer Johannes Zetterberg. West Coast fusion in the vein of Dave Weckl, Yellowjackets, Karizma etc. Featuring: Aron Mellergrdh (Drums); Jay Oliver (Keyboard); Erik Linder (Guitars); Jens Filipsson (Alto Saxophone); Jonathan Fritzn (Keyboard); Jonas Isaksson (Guitar); Eric Marienthal (Alto Saxophone); Arvid Svenungsson (Keyboards); Calle Stlenbring (Guitar); Jason Rebello (Keyboard); Andreas Ekstedt (Percussion); Otmaro Ruiz (Keyboard). Bio (written by Anna Blikstad, taken from myspace.com/johanneszetterberg) Johannes Zetterberg was born November 17th, 1985, in Stockholm, Sweden. Born to musical parents, he was exposed to a lot of music at an early age. "Well, being that my father's a countertenor with a soft spot for Oscar Peterson, I guess I quickly learned to appreciate classical music jazz. On the other hand, there were groups artists like Stevie Wonder, Earth, Wind Fire, Michael Jackson, Toto, Chicago lots of others, whom I found on my mother's mixtapes. It was like discovering a gold mine with all kinds of cool music, ranging from the hits of the 60's to the boy bands of the 90's! So yeah, it got pretty diverse right from the get-go." He started playing the bass at twelve, and fell in love with the instrument right away. Around the same time he got introduced to Metallica Yngwie Malmsteen by a friend, and that would turn out to widen his already eclectic taste in music, adding to the mix groups like Testament, Slayer, At the Gates, Opeth The Haunted. Johannes later attended Sdra Latins Gymnasium, where he studied with bass teachers Hddi Bjrnson Robert Sundin. It was during this time that his interest for the fusion genre grew increasingly stronger began to take up more more of his time. Says Johannes, "I really connected with it in a way that I hadn't with any of the previous genres. Although I had heard the music of Chick Corea, Return to Forever, Weather Report Marcus Miller before, and enjoyed it, I was completely blown away when I discovered Dave Weckl, Allan Holdsworth, The

Brecker Brothers, Yellowjackets, Pat Metheny Group, and all that stuff." Based on a mutual love for fusion instrumental music overall, Johannes and fellow classmates Aron Mellergrdh, Erik Linder, Arvid Svenungsson (who all appear on his 2009 debut, "Luna Nueva") Jonah Nilsson started the group Magnolia. "Yeah, we wrote some songs, but only managed to complete record one really. It was titled "Seven Peaces" - and yes, it was misspelled intentionally! -, but that track was actually influenced more by Emerson, Lake Palmer other progressive rock groups that we were listening to at the time, rather than fusion." This project would later evolve into the Westcoast/AOR-inspired group Split Vision, with the addition of Leonard Malm on vocals. A group that still exists, however, they're on a hiatus at the moment. Since graduating from Sdra Latin in 2005, Johannes has spent his time teaching the art of bassplaying to students in the Stockholm area backed up former Swedish Idol Fame Factory contestants, as well as doing some occasional gigs with Good News (a gospel choir from the land Islands). 2009 sees the release of his debut solo CD "Luna Nueva", a project that's been in the making since 2006. Joining him, apart from a list of talented musicians from Sweden, are four very special guests, namely: Jay Oliver (Dave Weckl/Dave Weckl Band), Jason Rebello (Sting, Jeff Beck), Otmaro Ruiz (Frank Gambale, Gino Vannelli, John McLaughlin) Eric Marienthal (Chick Corea Elektric Band). Says Johannes, "Oh man, yeah, having some of my absolute heroes on this CD has been nothing less than a dream come true. If someone had told me 8 years ago that the saxophonist of Chick Corea's freakin' Elektric Band would play on a solo CD of mine... well, let's just say I would've seriously doubted it!! These cats are all super professional such nice guys, it was a real joy honor having them on the CD, and I thank them immensely for their contributions. Hopefully we get to work together again soon!" Inspired by the likes of Dave Weckl, Yellowjackets, Karizma, Spyro Gyra and others, "Luna Nueva" is made up of 10 original tracks that surely will appeal to all the fusion aficionados out there. "Actually, my favorite albums have always been either the ones that take a while to get into, and that sort of grows for every listen, or the ones that really captivate you from the first note to the last. I mean, I can still recall that intense "WOW!"-feeling sense of awe that I had upon hearing Dave Weckl's "Master Plan" for the first time! The common denominator is that these albums never get tedious, you know? So if someone feels the same way when listening to "Luna Nueva", I'll die a happy man for sure! But my main hope is that whoever listens to this CD regardless if it's an avid fusion fan, or someone that isn't familiar with the genre at all - can appreciate, if not all of it, then at least some of it, and get something positive out of the experience." Please visit

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