

Mp3 Geoff Mattoon - Unity

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A combination of Jazz, R&B and Smooth Jazz. The CD includes smooth sax instrumentals and featured Vocals with Karen Bernod (Incognito, Eryka Badhu), Leslie Ming (B.T.Express), and some of NYC's finest studio musicians such as Will Lee and Chuck Loeb. 12 MP3 Songs JAZZ: Smooth Jazz, JAZZ: Jazz Fusion Details: GEOFF MATTOON was born to shine, and does so most brilliantly when he's wailing on saxophone, wind controller or keyboards. Geoff, however, is not only a multitalented performer but he is also gifted as a composer, arranger and producer. Geoff's music taps into emotionally charged regions that anyone with two ears can key into. This is the stuff of smooth jazz radio, but with a sophistication and depth traditionalists can dig as well. Geoff was raised outside of Boston, and knew he was destined to be a musician the moment he touched the ivories at the age of nine. Three years later he discovered his true love, the saxophone, and he's been winning awards and building a stellar reputation ever since. In high school he was named best jazz soloist at the N.A.J.E. Massachusetts All State Jazz Competition. As lead alto sax in his college group he led them to win numerous awards: The Best College Jazz Ensemble award at the Notre Dame Jazz Festival in 1986, the Chicago Musicfest National in 1987, and the Ottawa Musicfest international in 1987. Along the way, Geoff snagged the 1987 Down Beat Award for himself. He was also awarded the MVP Soloist Award at Notre Dame and the Fletcher Henderson Memorial Scholarship Award in 1986. After graduating from the University of Massachusetts with a B.A. in music, Geoff came to New York City where he is known on the scene as an innovative and intuitive player. He immediately got to work building his own studio where he devotes himself to perfecting his song writing, producing and engineering skills. He's worked with producer Tony Visconti (known for his work with David Bowie and the Moody Blues, among others), Emmy award winner David Grant (Theme song for Guiding Light), and has played on numerous jingles, including ones for Pontiac, Ford and L.A. Gear. As a free-lancer, he has jammed with such luminaries as Paul McCartney, Joe Sample, Terumasa Hino, Jeff Healey, John Popper and Onaje Allan Gumbs. As the featured player with Johnny Allen, he has shared the stage with Edgar Winter, Bo Diddley, Joan Osborne, Roomful of Blues, Spin Doctors and Blues Traveler. With the Kiss 98.7 Radio Band Geoff performed with Issac Hayes. Geoff also had the honor to

back up Allison Williams at the Meadow Lands with the "Jeff Fox Band. Most recently Geoff performed at the Hal Jackson "Celebrate 60 years of Broadcast" Party playing with the The WBLS Radio Band along with Smokey Robinson, Yolanda Adams and John Lucien. Now with the release of his debut CD "Unity", Geoff has emerged as a songwriter of the highest order. His musical vision is firmly stamped onto all aspects of his recordings, as he produced the work, played sax, keyboards, Wind controller and Midi percussion and has surrounded himself by great musicians such as Will Lee, Chuck Loeb and many others. GEOFF MATTOON is one of those rare and sophisticated combinations of virtuoso musician and gifted composer/producer. His is music that can impress Jazz elitists and move average listeners. His is a talent that soars and one on which all ears will soon be attuned.

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