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ALBUMS OF THE YEAR

BEN ALLISON - *Action-Refraction* (Palmetto)
BRIAN CARPENTER'S GHOST TRAIN ORCHESTRA - *Hothouse Stomp* (Accurate)
ALEXIS CUADRADO - *Noneto Ibérico* (BJU Records)
CHRIS DINGMAN - *Waking Dreams* (Between Worlds)
TONY MALABY'S NOVELA - *Eponymous* (Clean Feed)
PAT METHENY - *What's It All About* (Nonesuch)
RALPH PETERSON'S UNITY PROJECT - *Outer Reaches* (Onyx)
MATANA ROBERTS - *Coin Coin Chapter One: Les Gens de Couleur Libres* (Constellation)
CRAIG TABORN - *Avenging Angel* (ECM)
ANTHONY WILSON - *Seasons: Live at the Metropolitan Museum of Art* (Goat Hill)
 -David R. Adler

BAD LUCK - *Two* (Table & Chairs Music)
MICHAEL BATES - *Acrobat: Music for, And By, Dmitri Shostakovich* (Sunnyside)
BILL DIXON - *Envoi* (Victo)
DARIUS JONES - *Big Gurl (Smell My Dream)* (AUM Fidelity)
SØREN KJÆRGAARD/BEN STREET/ANDREW CYRILLE - *Femklang* (ILK Music)
TONY MALABY'S NOVELA - *Eponymous* (Clean Feed)
OTHER DIMENSIONS IN MUSIC - *Kaiso Stories* (Silkheart)
RED TRIO + JOHN BUTCHER - *EMPIRE* (NoBusiness)
GEORG RUBY/MICHEL PILZ - *Deuxième Bureau* (JazzHaus Musik)
ADAM RUDOLPH'S MOVING PICTURES WITH ORGANIC STRING ORCHESTRA - *Both/And* (Meta)
 -Laurence Donohue-Greene

BB&C - *The Veil* (Cryptogramophone)
BAD LUCK - *Two* (Table & Chairs Music)
MICHAEL BATES - *Acrobat: Music for, And By, Dmitri Shostakovich* (Sunnyside)
RAOUL BJÖRKENHEIM/BILL LASWELL/MORGEN ÅGREN - *BLIXT* (Cuneiform)
ELEKTRO - *Featuring John Tchicai* (Blackout)
PETER EVANS/AGUSTÍ FERNÁNDEZ/MATS GUSTAFSSON - *Kopros Lithos* (Multikulti Project)
JEFF GAUTHIER GOATETTE - *Open Source* (Cryptogramophone)
PASCAL NIGGENKEMPER - *Upcoming Hurricane* (NoBusiness)
REED TRIO - *Last Train to the First Station* (Kilogram)
ARCHIE SHEPP/JOACHIM KÜHN - *Wo!Man* (Archieball)
 -Andrey Henkin

UNEARTHED GEMS

MILES DAVIS - *LIVE in Europe 1967: Bootleg Series Vol. 1* (Legacy)
MISHA MENGELBERG/PIET NOORDIJK QUARTET - *Journey* (MCN)
ROSCOE MITCHELL - *Before There Was Sound* (Nessa)
JUMA SULTAN'S ABORIGINAL MUSIC SOCIETY - *Father of Origin* (Eremite)
JOHN SURMAN - *Flashpoint: NDR Jazz Workshop* (April '69) (Cuneiform)

TRIBUTES

MICHAEL BATES - *Acrobat: Music for, And By, Dmitri Shostakovich* (Sunnyside)
SAMUEL BLASER - *Consort in Motion* (Kind of Blue)
GIACOMO GATES - *The Revolution Will Be Jazz* (Savant)
FRED HO AND THE GREEN MONSTER BIG BAND - *The Sweet Science Suite* (Big Red Media-Mutable Music)
JOE LOVANO US FIVE - *Bird Songs* (Blue Note)

DEBUTS

JOSEPH DALEY EARTH TONES ENSEMBLE - *The Seven Deadly Sins* (JARO)
CHRIS DINGMAN - *Waking Dreams* (Between Worlds)
KERMIT DRISCOLL - *Reveille* (19/8)
ECO D'ALBERI - *Eponymous* (Porter)
JE SUIS! - *Mistluren* (Umlaut)

REISSUES

BILL DIXON ORCHESTRA - *Intents and Purposes* (RCA Victor-International Phonograph)
JOE FARRELL - *Outback* (CTI-Masterworks Jazz)
JULIUS HEMPHILL - *Dogon A.D.* (Mbari/Freedom-International Phonograph)
ROSCOE MITCHELL - *Complete Old/Quartet Sessions* (Nessa)
RANDY WESTON - *Blue Moses* (CTI-Masterworks Jazz)

BOXED SETS

LOUIS ARMSTRONG - *The Armstrong Box* (Storyville)
HOWARD RILEY - *The Complete Short Stories* (NoBusiness)
JUMA SULTAN'S ABORIGINAL MUSIC SOCIETY - *Father of Origin* (Eremite)
VARIOUS ARTISTS - *In Retrospect* (FMP)
PER HENRIK WALLIN/SVEN-ÅKE JOHANSSON - *1974-2004* (Umlaut)

LARGE ENSEMBLE RELEASES

JOSEPH DALEY EARTH TONES ENSEMBLE - *The Seven Deadly Sins* (JARO)
JACOB FRED JAZZ ODYSSEY - *Race Riot Suite* (The Royal Potato Family)
FRED HO AND THE GREEN MONSTER BIG BAND - *The Sweet Science Suite* (Big Red Media-Mutable Music)
TONY MALABY'S NOVELA - *Eponymous* (Clean Feed)
GERALD WILSON - *Legacy* (Mack Avenue)

VOCAL RELEASES

GIACOMO GATES - *The Revolution Will Be Jazz* (Savant)
RENÉ MARIE - *Voice of My Beautiful Country* (Motéma)
YOUN SUN NAH - *Same Girl* (ACT Music)
OTHER DIMENSIONS IN MUSIC - *Kaiso Stories* (featuring Fay Victor) (Silkheart)
JEN SHYU/MARK DRESSER - *Synastry* (Pi)

BOOKS

Clark: The Autobiography of Clark Terry (Univ. of California Press)
Norman Granz: The Man Who Used Jazz for Justice (Univ. of California Press)
Alex Steinweiss: The Inventor of the Modern Album Cover (Taschen)
The Studio Recordings of the Miles Davis Quintet, 1965-1968 (Oxford University Press)
Traveling the Spaceways Sun Ra, the Astro Black and other Solar Myths (University of Chicago Press-White Walls)

MENTIONS

Akira Sakata & Chikamorachi - *Live at Hungry Brain* (Family Vineyard) • **Alexander von Schlippenbach/Manfred Schoof** - *Blue Hawk* (Jazzwerkstatt)
Crossing Roper Bar (s/r) • **Billy Bang/Bill Cole** - *Eponymous* (Shadrack) • **Billy Hart** - *Sixty-Eight* (SteepleChase) • **Boom Box** - *Jazz* (Jazzwerkstatt)
 (n) • **Darius Jones/Matthew Shipp** - *Cosmic Lieder* (AUM Fidelity) • **Darren Johnston's Gone to Chicago** - *The Big Lift* (Porto Franco)
 (Music) • **David S. Ware/Cooper-Moore/William Parker/Muhammad Ali** - *Planetary Unknown* (AUM Fidelity) • **Dead Cat Bounce** - *Chance Episodes* (Cuneiform)
Reed - *The Dancing Monk* (Savant) • **Evan Parker/Kenny Wheeler/Paul Dunmall/Tony Levin/John Edwards** - *Live at the Vortex* (Rare Music)
 (r - 50 (JACC) • **François Tusques/Noel Mcgheie** - *Topolitologie* (Improvising Beings) • **Fred Ho/Green Monster Big Band** - *Year of the Tiger* (Innova)
 (phens - *Attic Antics* (Loose Torque) • **Gebhard Ullmann/Tá Lam 11** - *Mingus!* (Jazzwerkstatt) • **Gianluca Petrella TuboLibre** - *Slaves* (Spacebone)
Trio/Michel Edelin - *The Ethiopian Princess Meets The Tantric Priest* (Rogue Art) • **Ingebrigt Håker Flaten/Dennis Gonzalez** - *The Hymn Project* (Daagnim)
The Madness of Crowds (Intakt) • **Ira Sullivan/Stu Katz** - *A Family Affair (Live at Joe Segal's Showcase)* (Origin) • **Jason Adasiewicz Sun Rooms** - *Spacer* (Delmark)
Ari Hoenig - *Threedom* (Motéma Music) • **Jeremiah Cyerman** - *Fire Sign* (Tzadik) • **Jeremy Pelt** - *The Talented Mr. Pelt* (HighNote)
Creed - *Exception to the Rule* (Criss Cross) • **John Zorn** - *The Satyr's Play - Cerberus* (Tzadik) • **Jon Corbett's Dangerous Musics** - *Kongens Gade* (Leo)
 (rigin (Clean Feed) • **Kenny Burrell** - *Tenderly* (HighNote) • **KLANG** - *Other Doors* (Allos Documents) • **Lisa Mezzacappa & Nightshade** - *Cosmic Rift* (Leo)
g Band - *Eponymous* (Posi-Tone) • **Peter Bernstein/Larry Goldings/Bill Stewart** - *Live at Smalls* (smallsLIVE) • **Peter Evans Quintet** - *Ghosts* (More Is More)
 (ema Music) • **Rob Garcia 4** - *The Drop and the Ocean* (BJU Records) • **Rova Saxophone Quartet** - *Planetary* (Solyd) • **Roy Haynes** - *ROY-alty* (Dreyfus)
 (o - *Eto* (Libra) • **Sonny Rollins** - *Road Shows, Vol. 2* (Doxy-Emarcy) • **Stanley Jordan** - *Friends* (Mack Avenue) • **Starlicker** - *Double Demon* (Delmark)
Thomas Heberer's Clarino - *Klippe* (Clean Feed) • **Tim Hagans** - *The Moon is Waiting* (Palmetto) • **Trevor Watts/Veryan Weston** - *5 More Dialogues* (Emanem)
innny Golia Quartet - *Take Your Time* (Relative Pitch) • **Wadada Leo Smith's Organic** - *Heart's Reflections* (Cuneiform) • **Yoni Kretzmer** - *Overlook* (OutNow)