



New Release

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ALON FARBER Hagiga

Reflecting on Freedom

"...a fantastic find...Such is Farber's brilliance as a songwriter and arranger—he takes the best from each of the traditions he calls upon, uniting a wide array of colors towards the common end of an exciting, celebratory music."

All About Jazz

Now entering its third decade as an ensemble, Hagiga's founder, saxophonist Alon Farber looked to Eddie Harris's "Freedom Jazz Dance" as inspiration and a theme for their 4th recording, *Reflecting on Freedom*. Hagiga revels in the diversity of musical flavors and colors that make up the "Israeli soundtrack." With an exciting three horn frontline - reminiscent of some Dave Douglas or Booker Little ensembles - they draw liberally from Swing, Moroccan, Funk and Brazilian musics in creating their wide-ranging, highly personal sound. Farber's bold compositions reflect his years at the forefront of Israel's jazz scene - including co-founding the Israeli Jazz Orchestra & receiving the Prime Minister's Award for Jazz Composers - and his time in America while studying at Berklee, where he won the Wayne Shorter Award for Composers. "Hagiga has been at the forefront of the miraculous envelope-pushing curve of Israeli jazz for some years now." - Barry Davis

Alon Farber - Soprano & Alto saxes
Yehonatan Cohen - Tenor, Flute, Clarinet
Oded Meir - Trombone
Eden Giat - Piano
Assaf Hakimi - Basses
Rony Oliel - Drums

Special guests:
Sarai Zak-Levi - Vocal (1,3,7)
Rony Iwryn - Percussion (1,2,3,7,8)



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- 1 **Israeli Song** 5:16
- 2 **Reflecting on Freedom / Freedom Jazz Dance** 7:08
- 3 **Theme for Michal** 5:19
- 4 **Ima (Mother)** 3:40
- 5 **Fresh Start** 4:37
- 6 **More Monkeys, Please** 8:58
- 7 **You'll See the Way** 7:49
- 8 **Hammouda** 5:15
- 9 **Farbalak** 6:00

Composers: (1,3) Oded Meir; (2) Alon Farber/Eddie Harris; (4,5,6,9) Alon Farber; (7) Matti Caspi/Shimrit Or (8) Trad.

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