

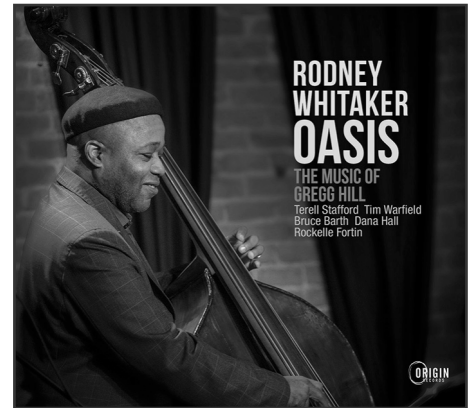


# New Release

STREET DATE: November 18, 2022

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# RODNEY WHITAKER OASIS THE MUSIC OF GREGG HILL



*"The variety is broad and the band itself can blow up a storm!"*

DAVE ROGERS, WTJU

The compositions of Gregg Hill have found an inspired home through several recordings by revered bassist Rodney Whitaker. Intellect and feeling stand in expressive balance with Hill's concepts of form, melody and rhythmic hooks on this third album in the series. He's absorbed the lessons of his heroes but writes from his own heart and soul. Whitaker, from Detroit and again firmly entrenched in the rich Michigan jazz scene, continues to perform at the highest levels. His long-standing quintet of well acknowledged masters - pianist Bruce Barth, Terell Stafford on trumpet, Tim Warfield on sax, and drummer Dana Hall - imbue the music with stellar soloing, supple textures, exciting dynamics, and a never-ending swing. Vocalist/lyricist Rockelle Fortin again adds her lyrics & voice on 4 songs, including the high-octane opener, "Betty's Tune."

*"Anchoring the music's phases and moods, Whitaker is a volcanic boulder..."*

CITY PULSE

**TERELL STAFFORD** trumpet / flugelhorn  
**TIM WARFIELD** tenor & soprano saxes  
**BRUCE BARTH** piano  
**RODNEY WHITAKER** bass  
**DANA HALL** drums  
**ROCKELLE FORTIN** vocals (1,4,10,11)

Produced by Gregg Hill & Rodney Whitaker  
Recorded, Mixed & Mastered by Eric Wojahn  
at Solid Sound, Ann Arbor, MI  
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- 1 Betty's Tune 4:56
- 2 Puppets 7:34
- 3 Minorabilia 6:28
- 4 Interlude 6:07
- 5 Sunday Afternoon 7:24
- 6 The Jazzdiddy Waltz 4:46
- 7 S'Cool Days 8:25
- 8 Blues for Gregg 6:40
- 9 Fan O Gram 7:44
- 10 To the Well 7:18
- 11 Oasis 5:16

Compositions by Gregg Hill except (8),  
composed by Rodney Whitaker  
Arranged by Rodney Whitaker  
Lyrics by Rockelle Fortin (1,4,10,11)

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