



New Release

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JOHN GUNTHER PAINTING THE DREAM

"Gunther's music is pictorial without being simply picturesque. What is most immediately appealing about this music is its modesty... it's about small or simple pleasures, the joys of craft." **One Final Note**

Through his more than two dozen recordings as a leader or chief collaborator, saxophonist John Gunther has aesthetically wandered far & wide, finding colors, textures and grooves that would spur the creations from his invariably interesting bandmates. For "Painting the Dream," he looked to pianist Dawn Clement and drummer Dru Heller to help celebrate the memory of his colleague, trumpeter Ron Miles, whose music and ways particularly inspired many in the Denver music scene. He also looks to his mother, Judy Gunther, who supplied the paintings that adorn the cover. Her gifted sense of color and balance affected her son throughout his childhood and undoubtedly influenced his compositions and textural choices, which along with Clement's added vocals and Gunther's use of woodwinds & electronics, evolved into a program ranging from intimate set pieces to sweeping landscapes.

- 1 In Praise of Softness 4:23
- 2 Mother Juggler 4:47
- 3 In Motian 3:07
- 4 Two Steps Forward 5:14
- 5 Ron Song 5:03
- 6 Blues for Dru 6:47
- 7 Painting the Dream 5:44
- 8 Us 5:57
- 9 Turn About 6:32
- 10 Play Date 4:09
- 11 Elliptical Motion 5:32
- 12 When Time Stops 4:06
- 13 Bubbles 5:02

Music by John Gunther (John Gunther Music, BMI), except:
(2) by Ron Miles (Distance for Safety Music, BMI)

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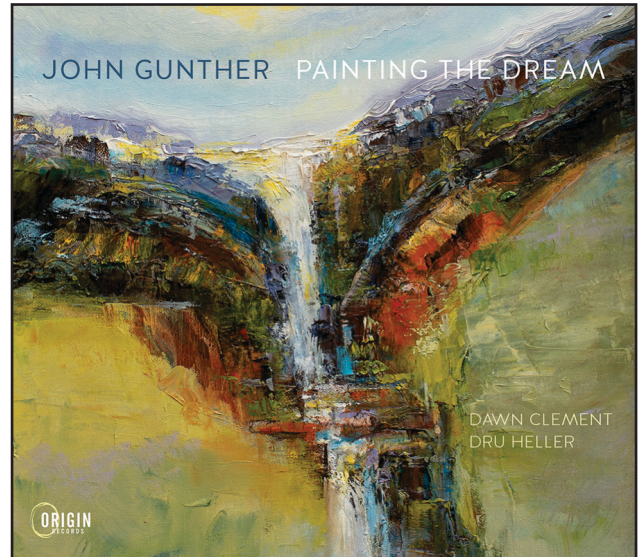
SOPRANO, TENOR SAXOPHONES, FLUTE,
BASS CLARINET, ELECTRONICS

DAWN CLEMENT

PIANO, RHODES, VOICE, ELECTRONICS

DRU HELLER

DRUMS & CYMBALS



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- Midwest Performances
- DownBeat full-page label ad

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