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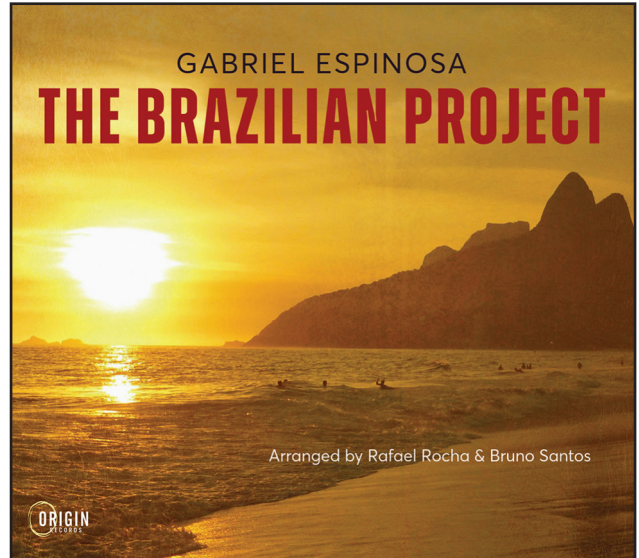
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GABRIEL ESPINOSA THE BRAZILIAN PROJECT

Arranged by Rafael Rocha & Bruno Santos

"...a mellifluous musical expedition led by this mature bassist, who crafts his music with utmost confidence and grace... The depth of emotion of his music is truly touching..." **Latin Jazz Net**

Bassist and composer Gabriel Espinosa's "The Brazilian Project" is the realization of a lifelong devotion to the music that first stirred his imagination in the 1960s, when the sounds of Jobim, João Gilberto and Sérgio Mendes reshaped the global jazz landscape. Raised in Mexico on boleros and the Beatles, Espinosa later found in bossa nova a language of melodic grace and rhythmic subtlety that would define his artistic path through Berklee, North Texas State, and to his present home in Iowa. For his eighth solo album, his bass is set aside while his compositions are brought vividly to life by a Brazil-based nonet, with scintillating arrangements by trombonist Rafael Rocha and flugelhornist Bruno Santos. Recorded in Rio de Janeiro and enhanced by the Tallinn Studio Orchestra, the album radiates warmth, elegance, and rhythmic vitality. The Brazilian Project stands as a joyful summit in Espinosa's decades-long journey—an inspired cross-cultural collaboration that honors tradition while speaking in a fresh, contemporary voice. *"Bossa nova literally means "new tendency" or "new thing". Gabriel Espinosa renews the genre with his imaginative compositions and top-class musicians."* *Music Web International*



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- ROGER ROCHA alto sax, soprano sax (6,10), flute (1,3,7)
- JOSUE LOPEZ tenor sax, flute (4,5,8,10)
- DANIEL FREIRE baritone sax
- BRUNO SANTOS flugelhorn
- RAFAEL ROCHA trombones
- JOABE REIS trombone (2,3,9)
- ANDRÉ LOPEZ piano (1,2,7)
- FELIPE SILVEIRA piano (3,4,6)
- EDUARDO FARIAS piano (5,8,9,10)
- GIOVANI MALINI guitar (9)
- HUGO MACIEL electric bass
- RENATO ROCHA drums
- RAFAEL BARATA drums (6)
- MAFRAN MARACANÃ percussion (1,2)

(6) TALLINN STUDIO ORCHESTRA
conducted by MAESTRO KLEBER
AUGUSTINHO DA SILVA

Produced by GABRIEL ESPINOSA
Recorded by ROGER ROCHA
at RB RECORDING STUDIO,
RIO DE JANEIRO, BRAZIL (VITORIA, ES)
from 2022 to 2025
(6) Strings recorded by KIRA MALEVSKAIA
at ERR STUDIO, TALLINN, ESTONIA
Mixed & mastered by DAVE DARLINGTON
at BASS HIT STUDIO, NEW YORK, NY
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All music composed by Gabriel Espinosa
(1-4,6,7) Arranged by Rafael Rocha
(5,8,9,10) Arranged by Bruno Santos

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