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LISA ULLÉN

Lisa Ullén is one of the key artists on the Swedish jazz and improvisation scene with several projects and constellations. Lisa has many international collaborations, and has been touring in Europe and the USA. Her latest and long awaited solo album *Catachresis* was released in May 2011 (NUSCOPE recordings, US). She will be artist in residence at the Vancouver Jazz Festival during the summer of 2014.



Lisa Ullén, pianist and composer. Born 1964 Seoul Korea, grew up in the north of Sweden, now based in Stockholm. Graduated in 1990 from the Royal Academy of Music, Stockholm . Studies in jazz and improvisation at Chapel Hill NC USA. electro-acoustic music at EMS (Electro Acoustic Studio of Sweden).

Among her commissioned works are intermedia project Kyrillien, chamber manga opera Ninjutsu , musical drama play Now time is waiting. She has been supported and rewarded by the Swedish Arts Council, the Society of Swedish Composers, Swedish Arts Grant, and the Royal Music Academy.

The musicians of Lisa Ullén Quartet have their musical

roots in jazz, punk, chamber music and blues but come together in what might modestly be called modern acoustic improvisational music. An impressively keen ear is paired with astounding musicianship, where each single note played is as important as the linear totality. A new generation of Swedish musicians expand the concept of free jazz, giving space to beat and melody as well. All the members of the group are well established on the

Swedish jazz and improvisation scene. LUQ have been broadcast by the Swedish National radio and TV and the second album was released in April -09 with very good reviews Lisa Ullén and Nina de Heney Duo has existed since 2007, and has rapidly gained recognition as one of the most thrilling new groups on the improvisation scene in Sweden. They are individually known and respected as well established performers, having each developed a personal sound on their respective instruments.

Their second album, released in April -09, received very good reviews. They have performed at the main festivals in Sweden, such as the Umeå International Jazz Festival and the Stockholm Jazz Festival, and their music has several times been broad-casted on the National Swedish Jazz Radio P2.

"Each piece is like entering a new world to explore and evoke different spirits".

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"Look Right is a fantastic demonstration of free improvisation that keeps revealing more and more beautiful sounds and sonic interactions with each new listening."

Eyal Hareuveni, All about jazz

"Look Right is truly high class."

Magnus Nygren, Sound of Music

Lisa Ullén-Nina de Heney duo feat. Mariam Wallentin More (Disorder) *"Wallentin brings to the duo of Ullén and de Heney a like-minded rebellious, genre-binding approach, one that is focused on the song format and lyrics. She finds the two enjoying exploring the worlds of soul, rock and world music. [...] Surprising and beautiful.*

This trio has just began to explore its great potential."

Eyal Hareuveni, All about jazz

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