

Jacob Christoffersen Trio

WE WANT YOU

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It is no coincidence that Jacob Christoffersen is one of Denmark's busiest pianists. His technique is awe-inspiring – no limitations – and audiences love his straightforward and brilliant playing. Most of us also know him as the perfect sideman backing popular vocalists or as “first call” accompanying a visiting star. He always plays loyally for the collective, always leading the music in the right direction.

It is understandable that this gifted pianistic talent occasionally feels the urge to be in the forefront. The critically acclaimed album JC3 from 2011 was a follow-up to FACING THE SUN from 2005 and JAZZZPERIENCE from 1999 (all released on Stunt Records). WE WANT YOU is the 2013 Ben Webster Award-winner's fourth album.

Jacob Christoffersen was born in 1967 and began his musical career at 12. When he was 17 he received the talent award “Sørensen penge”, and since then he has performed in countless constellations – mainly jazz, but also with pop acts such as the extremely popular Danish band Shu-bi-dua.

Now he has formed a trio with bassist Thomas Fønnesbæk and drummer Zoltan Csörsz. The trio plays soulful,

swinging jazz with a touch of the Scandinavian sound. Two years as the regular house trio at Copenhagen jazz clubs La Fontaine and Montmartre, where they backed a long list of local and visiting soloists, have shaped their tight, no-nonsense trio sound.

WE WANT YOU contains compositions written by the bandleader. His beautiful and contemplative piano playing pops up in a few ballads, but most of the tunes feature the lively, groovy side of his musical personality. At a time with slews of introverted European jazz musicians, Jacob Christoffersen's WE WANT YOU is a refreshingly playful and virile album that literally reaches out to its audience. The outstanding recording quality bears the stamp of the famous Nilento Studio in Gothenburg.

“All the way through, it is obvious that the three musicians enjoy each other's company. Christoffersen with his compositional jewels and incredibly swinging playing, Fønnesbæk with his wonderful bass playing, and Csörsz taking on the role of keeping the two others in line... Super-swinging tunes that keep your feet tapping, combined with beautiful ballads... from beginning to end it is one of the finest straight-ahead piano trios I have heard for a long, long time!” <http://salt-peanuts.eu>

Jacob Christoffersen (p, Fender Rhodes), Thomas Fønnesbæk (b), Zoltan Csörsz (d).

*Home / We Want You / And Suddenly You Know / Life Goes On / Only Yesterday / My Irish Soul /
The Night Wanderer / Long Tall / Farvel (For Hugo).*

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