



Tues 6 October £9/£6

KIT DOWNES TRIO

KIT DOWNES (pn), CALUM GOURLAY (db), JAMES MADDREN (dm)

'Kit Downes is about to emerge as a formidable force in his own right ... his originals were haunting, and his hypnotic, Mehldau-influenced playing fizzed with ideas that got hotter by the moment. Three to watch.' *John Fordham, Jazz UK.* 'A brilliant soloist who builds ideas slowly into cascades of melodic ideas ... His prodigious keyboard skills avoid obvious neo-bop tendencies with highly imaginative tunes and expansive, melodic solos.' *Time Out.*



Tues 13 October £9/£6

RALPH FREEMAN TRIO

featuring

ROGER BEAUJOLAIS

MARCUS VERGETTE (db), PIP HARBON (dm)

Welcome return of this brilliant vibraphonist who '... could frighten any vibes virtuoso on either side of the Atlantic.' *The Guardian.*



Tues 20 October £9/£6

KRIS GAYLE

with VIV RODD TRIO

Kris is widely recognised by Cornwall's jazz listeners as one of the finest singers on the circuit, and now beginning to get the wider acclaim she deserves. Her voice and her interpretations enrapture audiences wherever she goes, and Viv's trio provides an extremely adroit and sympathetic accompaniment, often with a couple of top class self-penned originals in the mix.



Tues 27 October £9/£6

STEVE WATERMAN

with RALPH FREEMAN TRIO

PETE KUBRYK TOWNSEND(db) & DAMIAN RODD (dm)

Renowned as one of the top British jazz trumpet players both at home and on the European and international scene. 'A delight to hear ... an accomplished technician ... a beautiful sound on both his instruments.' *Crescendo Magazine*



Tues 3 November £9/£6

MCCORMACK YARDE DUO

ANDREW MCCORMACK (pn) & JASON YARDE (sx)

Following their highly acclaimed concerts, pioneering jazz performers Andrew McCormack and Jason Yarde now bring us their innovative sound. The music is a perfect synthesis of Yarde and McCormack's diverse musical backgrounds, creating an exciting and unique musical style. At times lyrical with controlled poise, the pace can spontaneously snap to white hot raw energy. The musicians have a long association of working together in many groups including those of Gary Crosby and Denys Baptiste. Both are also forging their way as individual composers with ever increasing success and notoriety.



Tues 10 November £9/£6

AMINA FIGAROVA & BART PLATTEAU

AMINA FIGAROVA (pn), BART PLATTEAU (flutes)

'One of the most cosmopolitan and accomplished artists in jazz today ... globe-trotting Azerbaijan-born, Rotterdam-based composer-pianist-bandleader with more than a dozen recordings to her credit. With her husband multi-flutist Bart Platteau she plays compelling, artful and heartfelt changes on the urbane, bluesy lyricism originally developed by the likes of Miles Davis, Horace Silver, Bill Evans, Herbie Hancock, Wayne Shorter, et al.'

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WILL COLLIER 7

WILL COLLIER (db), BEN REYNOLDS (dm), JOE AUKLAND (tp), BEN SOMERS (tenor), BOB DOWELL (trom), MIKE LESIRGE (alto), ED SHELDRAKE (pn)

'A dynamite septet stylistically recalling the likes of Kenny Wheeler, Dave Holland, Tin Hat Trio, Bad Plus and Medeski Martin and Wood. Very impressive.' *Tom Barlow, Jazzwise*



Tues 24 November £9/£6

D'AGOSTINO & OXLEY

Luis D'Agostino and Pete Oxley: 'Seasoned practitioners in the art of jazz guitar ... combine in a delightful and sweetly executed duet. Their respective approaches to melody, harmony and rhythm dovetail beautifully, and

their deft interplay often seems to merge into what almost becomes a single instrument. They choose a pleasing mixture of standards, Latin tunes and contemporary compositions, and play all of them in elegant, unhurried (even at swift tempos, as on Egberto Gismonti's Loro) and enjoyable fashion.' *Jazzwise*



Tues 1 December

£9/£6

JAZZ DEGREE TUTORS ENSEMBLE

VIV RODD (pn), DAMIAN RODD (dm), ALAN THOMPSON (gt), TOM QUIRKE (pn), PETE KUBRYK-TOWNSEND (db), PAUL HAYWOOD (sx), ET AL (good vibes)

We've seen how these guys can beat, mould and whip raw talent into consummate musicianship, now we get the chance to see if those who teach can also do! I think we know the answer!! Alumni please note that no throwable items of any description will be allowed inside the venue, and verbal derision will not be encouraged!



Tues 8 December

£9/£6

TOMMASO STARACE

with RALPH FREEMAN TRIO

From his previous visits to the club, we already know Tommaso to be a fine sax player with a warm tone and fiery, bebop-influenced jazz idiom. This time round he's promoting his newly released CD 'Don't Forget', recorded in Milan with his newly formed Italian quartet (of whom we had the pleasure last year). 'The sax is filled with voices, it sings gaily ... I like the way he follows joyful paths, I imagine him playing around with rhythms, playing with the other instruments, opening up to new feelings and inventing new ways.'

Vittorio Franchini, jazz author.



Tues 15 December

£9/£6

JIMMY CANNON

with RALPH FREEMAN TRIO

PETE KUBRYK TOWNSEND(db) & PIP HARBON (dm)

The welcome return of a familiar voice. Jimmy is an extremely versatile singer, as convincing when caressing a ballad as he is belting out a pop hit or Sinatra-style swinger. He also plays a mean saxophone and fronts various busy bands.



Tues 22 December

£9/£6

XMAS PARTY GALA NIGHT

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