

ALBUMS OF THE YEAR

NIK BÄRTSCH'S RONIN - *Live* (ECM)
 TIM BERNE - *Snakeoil* (ECM)
 ORRIN EVANS - *Flip the Script* (Posi-Tone)
 FLY - *Year of the Snake* (ECM)
 JOSH GINSBURG - *Zembla Variations* (BJU Records)
 DARIUS JONES - *Book of Mae'bul: Another Kind of Sunrise* (AUM Fidelity)
 HAFEZ MODIRZADEH - *Post-Chromodal Out!* (Pi)
 LINDA OH - *Initial Here* (Greenleaf)
 GREGORY PORTER - *Be Good* (Motéma)
 MATT WILSON'S ARTS & CRAFTS - *An Attitude for Gratitude* (Palmetto)
 -David R. Adler

BOXED SETS

DOROTHY ASHBY - *The Jazz Harpist* (Regent/Prestige/
 New Jazz/Argo/Jazzland - Fresh Sound)
 ICP ORCHESTRA - *45 Years* (ICP)
 CHARLES MINGUS - *The Jazz Workshop Concerts 1964-65*
 (Mosaic)
 THELONIOUS MONK QUARTET - *The Complete Columbia*
Studio Albums Collection (Columbia-Legacy)
 WILLIAM PARKER - *Centering (Unreleased Early Recordings*
1976-1987) (NoBusiness)

REISSUES

BILL BARRON - *The Tenor Stylings of Bill Barron/
 Modern Windows/Hot Line* (Savoy-Fresh Sound)
 CHRIS MCGREGOR - *In His Good Time* (Ogun)
 ALBERT MANGELSDORFF - *Now Jazz Ramwong*
 (CBS-Jazzhus Disk)
 HAL RUSSELL - *NRG Ensemble* (Nessa)
 HEINER STADLER - *Brains on Fire* (Labor)

TRIBUTES

FRED HO & QUINCY SAUL - *Present The Music of*
Cal Massey (A Tribute) (Mutable/Big Red Media)
 SIMON NABATOV - *Spinning Songs of Herbie Nichols* (Leo)
 TERI ROIGER - *Dear Abbey* (Inner Circle)
 SPECTRUM ROAD - *Eponymous* (Palmetto)
 THE WHAMMIES - *Play the Music of Steve Lacy* (Driff)

TIM BERNE - *Snakeoil* (ECM)
 KELAN PHILIP COHRAN & THE HYPNOTIC BRASS
 ENSEMBLE - *Eponymous* (Honest Jon's)
 DR. JOHN - *Locked Down* (Nonesuch)
 BILLY HART QUARTET - *All Our Reasons* (ECM)
 DAVE KING - *I'll Be Ringing You* (Sunnyside)
 BILL LASWELL - *Means of Deliverance* (Innerhythmic)
 HAFEZ MODIRZADEH - *Post-Chromodal Out!* (Pi)
 SAM NEWSOME - *The Art of the Soprano, Vol. 1 (s/r)*
 SAM RIVERS/DAVE HOLLAND/BARRY ALTSCHUL -
Reunion: Live in New York (Pi)
 JESPER ZEUTHEN - *PLUS* (Barefoot)
 -Laurence Donohue-Greene

UNEARTHED GEMS

THE JAZZ COURIERS - *Tippin' (Live in Morecambe 1959)*
 (Gearbox)
 SHEILA JORDAN/HARVIE S - *Yesterdays* (HighNote)
 ALBERT MANGELSDORFF QUINTET -
Legends Live: Audimax Freiburg (June 22, 1964) (Jazzhaus)
 PAT MARTINO - *Alone Together (with Bobby Rose)* (HighNote)
 WES MONTGOMERY - *Echoes of Indiana Avenue* (Resonance)

LARGE ENSEMBLE RELEASES

THE AARDVARK JAZZ ORCHESTRA - *Evocations* (Leo)
 FRED HO & QUINCY SAUL - *Present The Music of Cal*
Massey (A Tribute) (Mutable/Big Red Media)
 THE RESONANCE ENSEMBLE -
What Country is This? (Not Two)
 RYAN TRUESDELL/GIL EVANS PROJECT - *Centennial:
 Newly Discovered Works of Gil Evans* (ArtistShare)
 ZANUSSI THIRTEEN - *Live* (Moserobie)

LATIN RELEASES

EDMAR CASTAÑEDA - *Double Portion* (Arpa Y Voz Prod.)
 GONZALO RUBALCABA - *XXI Century* (5Passion)
 BOBBY SANABRIA BIG BAND - *Multiverse* (Jazzheads)
 PONCHO SANCHEZ AND HIS LATIN JAZZ BAND -
Live in Hollywood (Concord Picante)
 PAPO VAZQUEZ MIGHTY PIRATES TROUBADOURS -
Oasis (Picaro)

RODRIGO AMADO MOTION TRIO & JEB BISHOP -
Burning Live at Jazz ao Centro (JACC)
 NIK BÄRTSCH'S RONIN - *Live* (ECM)
 JACOB GARCHIK - *The Heavens* (Yestereve)
 GRASS ROOTS - *Eponymous* (AUM Fidelity)
 FRED HO & THE SAXOPHONE LIBERATION FRONT -
Snake-Eaters (Big Red Media-Mutable)
 BILL LASWELL - *Means of Deliverance* (Innerhythmic)
 AARON NOVIK - *Secrets of Secrets* (Tzadik)
 THE THING (WITH BARRY GUY) - *Metal!* (NoBusiness)
 ZANUSSI THIRTEEN - *Live* (Moserobie)
 ZÜRHHORN - *Wanderlust* (Unit)
 -Andrey Henkin

DEBUTS

JOHNATHAN BLAKE - *The Eleventh Hour* (Sunnyside)
 GRASS ROOTS - *Eponymous* (AUM Fidelity)
 DEVIN GRAY - *Dirigo Rataplan* (Skirl)
 TYLER MITCHELL - *Live at Smalls* (smallsLIVE)
 SPECTRUM ROAD - *Eponymous* (Palmetto)

VOCAL RELEASES

RAN BLAKE/CHRISTINE CORREA - *Down Here Below*
(Tribute to Abbey Lincoln Vol. One) (Red Piano)
 KATJA CRUZ/HOWARD CURTIS - *Lightning & Thunder*
 (Ein Klang)
 DR. JOHN - *Locked Down* (Nonesuch)
 DENA DEROSE - *Travelin' Light* (MAXJAZZ)
 LUCIANA SOUZA - *The Book of Chet* (Sunnyside)

BOOKS

Mr. P.C.: The Life and Music of Paul Chambers (Equinox)
Miles Davis: The Complete Illustrated History
 (Voyageur Press)
Shall We Play That One Together?: The Life and Art of Jazz
Piano Legend Marian McPartland (St. Martin's Press)
Herbie Hancock and The Mwandishi Band: You'll Know
When You Get There (University of Chicago Press)
Always in Trouble: An Oral History of ESP-DISK',
The Most Outrageous Record Label in America
 (Wesleyan University Press)

HONORABLE MENTIONS

Juhani Aaltonen/Heikki Sarmanto - *Conversations* (TUM) • Rez Abbasi - *Continuous Beat* (Enja) • JD Allen - *The Matador and the Bull* (Savant) • Jacob A
 AYCH - *Eponymous* (Relative Pitch) • Duck Baker Trio - *Amnesia In Trastevere* (Les Cousins) • Han Bennink Trio - *Bennink # Co.* (ILK Music) •
 Ted Brown/Kirk Knuffke - *Pound Cake* (SteepleChase) • John Butcher - *Bell Trove Spools* (Northern-Spy) • John Butcher/Guillaume Vil
 Brian Charette - *Music for Organ Sextette* (SteepleChase) • Chicago Trio - *Velvet Songs: To Baba Fred Anderson* (Rogue Art) • Anat Cohen - *Clarosc
 Chick Corea/Eddie Gomez/Paul Motian - Further Explorations* (Concord) • Marilyn Crispell/Gerry Hemingway - *Affinities* (Intakt) •
 Jeff Davis - *Leaf House* (Fresh Sound-New Talent) • Scott Dubois - *Landscape Scripture* (Sunnyside) • Paul Dunmall/Tony Bianco - *Thank You To Joh
 Joe Fiedler - Big Sackbut* (Yellow Sound) • Foxes Fox - *Live at the Vortex* (psi) • Nobuyasu Furuya Quintet - *Agitator Naka Naka*
 Dennis Gonzalez Yells at Eels - *Resurrection and Life* (Ayler) • Craig Green/Dave King - *Moontower* (Long Song) • Ulrich Gumper
 Ig Henneman Sextet - *Live @ The Ironworks, Vancouver* (Wig) • Steve Horowitz - *New Monsters* (Posi-Tone) • François Houle 5 + 1 - *Genera* (Songlines) • Danie
 Vijay Iyer Trio - *Accelerando* (ACT Music) • Ahmad Jamal - *Blue Moon (The New York Session)* (Jazz Village) • Kidd Jordan/Joel Futterman/William Parker/
 Frank Kimbrough Trio - *Live at Kitano* (Palmetto) • Lee Konitz - *KnowingLee* (Out Note) • David Krakauer - *Pruf
 Andrew Lamb - Rhapsody in Black* (NoBusiness) • Greg Lewis Organ Monk - *Uwo in the Black* (s/r) • Living By Lanterns - *New Myth/Old
 Jesper Løvdal/Günter Baby Sommer - Eponymous* (ILK Music) • Paul Lytton/Nate Wooley + Ikue Mori and Ken Vandermark - *The N
 Brad Mehldau Trio - Where Do You Start* (Nonesuch) • Liudas Mockunas/Barry Guy - *Lava* (NoBusiness) • Simon Nabatov/Nils Wog
 Evan Parker/John Edwards/Eddie Prévost - *Meetings with Remarkable Saxophonists, Vol. 1* (Matchless) • Evan P
 Bucky Pizzarelli - *Challis in Wonderland* (Arbors) • Tom Rainey Trio - *Camino Cielo Echo* (Intakt) • RED Trio + Nate Wooley - *Ste
 Stephen Riley - Hart-Beat* (SteepleChase) • Jason Robinson - *Tiresian Symmetry* (Cuneiform) • Scott Robinson Doctette - *Bronze Nemes
 Irène Schweizer - To Whom It May Concern* (Piano Solo Tonhalle Zurich) (Intakt) • Matthew Shipp Trio - *Elastic Aspects* (Thirsty Ear) • Wadada Leo Sn
 Richard Tabnik Trio - *Symphony for Jazz Trio* (New Artists) • Natsuki Tamura/Satoko Fujii - *Muku* (Libra) • Laura Toxvaerd/Jacob Anderskov
 David Virelles - *Continuum* (Pi) • Planetary Unknown - *Live at Jazzfestival Saalfelden 2011* (AUM Fidelity) • Trevor Watts/Veryan Weston - *Dialogues in Two Places*

CONCERTS OF THE YEAR

STEPHAN CRUMP'S ROSETTA TRIO

Jamie Fox, Liberty Ellman
Winter Jazzfest, The Bitter End, January 7th

JEFF "TAIN" WATTS QUARTET

David Kikoski, Marcus Strickland, Orlando Le Fleming
Village Vanguard, February 4th

MATT WILSON'S ARTS & CRAFTS

Terrell Stafford, Gary Versace, Martin Wind, Kurt Elling
Dizzy's Club, March 3rd

BILLY HART QUARTET

Ethan Iverson, Mark Turner, Ben Street
Birdland, April 7th

CRAIG TABORN TRIO

Thomas Morgan, Gerald Cleaver
Village Vanguard, April 7th

AMIR ELSAFFAR QUINTET

Tony Malaby, John Escreet, François Moutin, Dan Weiss
The Jazz Gallery, May 4th

ROUND ROBIN DUETS

Undead Jazz Festival, 92Y Tribeca, May 12th

LIONEL LOUEKE GROUP

Derrick Hodge, Mark Guiliana, Robert Glasper
Blue Note, September 5th

HERBIE NICHOLS PROJECT

Frank Kimbrough, Ben Allison, Michael Blake,
Ted Nash, Ron Horton, Michael Sarin
Jazz Standard, November 12th

SHEILA JORDAN/STEVE KUHN

Blue Note, November 19th

-David R. Adler

SUMMIT TRIO

Scott Robinson, Gene Bertoncini, Jonathan Batiste
Rubin Museum's "Harlem in the Himalayas", January 20th

IRÈNE SCHWEIZER/PIERRE FAVRE

Intakt Records Festival, The Stone, March 10th

HAROLD MABERN TRIO

John Webber, Louis Hayes
Smoke, March 23rd

HUGH MASEKELA/LARRY WILLIS

Jazz Standard, May 1st

GERALD CLEAVER BLACK HOST

Darius Jones, Brandon Seabrook, Cooper-Moore, Pascal Niggenkemper
Undead Jazz Festival, Sullivan Hall, May 9th

BARRY HARRIS QUARTET

Charles Davis, Ray Drummond, Leroy Williams
Harlem Jazz Shrines Festival, Minton's Playhouse, May 11th

THE THING WITH JOE MCPHEE

Mats Gustafsson, Ingebrigt Håker Flaten, Paal Nilssen-Love
Vision Festival, Roulette, June 13th

TERJE RYPDAL QUARTET

Palle Mikkelborg, Ståle Storløkken, Paolo Vinacci
Le Poisson Rouge, June 27th

ERNIE ANDREWS

Houston Person, Bill Charlap,
Peter Washington, Kenny Washington
92nd St.Y's "Jazz in July", July 17th

BOBBY MCFERRIN

WITH JAZZ AT LINCOLN CENTER ORCHESTRA
Allen Room, September 14th

-Laurence Donohue-Greene

PETER EVANS QUARTET

Carlos Homs, Tom Blancarte, Jim Black
Cornelia Street Café, January 17th

MARTY EHRLICH, MARY HALVORSON, TOMAS FUJIWARA

Ibeam Brooklyn, January 19th

MARK FELDMAN/PIERRE FAVRE

Intakt Records Festival, The Stone, March 8th

BB&C

Tim Berne, Jim Black, Nels Cline
ShapeShifter Lab, May 7th

THE THING WITH JOE MCPHEE

Mats Gustafsson, Ingebrigt Håker Flaten, Paal Nilssen-Love
Vision Festival, Roulette, June 13th

TERJE RYPDAL QUARTET

Palle Mikkelborg, Ståle Storløkken, Paolo Vinacci
Le Poisson Rouge, June 27th

THINK SHADOW: SEAN CONLY/MICHAËL ATTIAS

Ibeam Brooklyn, October 10th

NIK BÄRTSCH'S RONIN

Sha, Thommy Jordi, Kaspar Rast
Le Poisson Rouge, October 22nd

CACTUS TRUCK

John Dikeman, Jasper Stadhouders, Onno Govaert
Zebulon, November 1st

DAVE LIEBMAN QUINTET

Ellery Eskelin, Sam Newsome, Chris Tordini, Jim Black
Cornelia Street Café, November 24th

-Andrey Henkin

MUSICIANS OF THE YEAR

TIM BERNE (saxophone)

JACK DEJOHNETTE (drums)

BILLY HART (drums)

JON IRABAGON (saxophone)

WADADA LEO SMITH (trumpet)

LABELS OF THE YEAR

CLEAN FEED (cleanfeed-records.com)

DELMARK (delmark.com)

ECM (ecmrecords.com)

JAZZHUS DISK

NOBUSINESS (nobusinessrecords.com)

VENUES OF THE YEAR

CORNELIA STREET CAFÉ (West Village)

IBEAM BROOKLYN (Gowanus)

JAZZ STANDARD (Midtown)

SHAPESHIFTER LAB (Gowanus)

SMOKE (Upper West Side/Harlem)

DISCS - NEW RELEASES

Anderskov - *Granular Alchemy* (ILK Music) • Ray Anderson Pocket Brass Band - *Sweet Chicago Suite* (Intuition) • Michaël Attias - *Spun Tree* (Clean Feed)
Josh Berman & His Gang - *There Now* (Delmark) • Jeb Bishop/Jorrit Dijkstra - *1000 Words* (Driff) • Peter Brötzmann - *Solo + Trio Roma* (Victo)
Eard/Eddie Prevost - *All But: Meetings with Remarkable Saxophonists, Vol. 2* (Matchless) • John Butcher/Mark Sanders - *Daylight* (Emanem)
Curo (Anzic) • Avishai Cohen - *Triveni II* (Anzic) • Sean Conly/Michaël Attias - *Think Shadow* (OutNow) • The Cookers - *Believe* (Motéma Music)
Marilyn Crispell/Mark Dresser/Gerry Hemingway - *Play Braxton* (Tzadik) • Carsten Dahl Experience - *Metamorphosis* (Storyville)
an Coltrane (SLAM) • Harris Eisenstadt - *Canada Day III* (Songlines) • Agustí Fernández - *Pianoactivity|One* (Sirulita) • FFEAR - *Mirage* (Jazzheads)
ane (Solid) • Charles Gayle Trio - *Streets* (Northern-Spy) • David Gilmore - *Numerology (Live at Jazz Standard)* (Evolutionary Music)
t/Günter "Baby" Sommer - *La Paloma* (Intakt) • Tom Harrell - *Number Five* (HighNote) • Werner Hasler - *The Outer String* (Unit)
l Humair - *Sweet & Sour* (Laborie Jazz) • Jason Kao Hwang - *Burning Bridge* (Innova) • Ircha-Mikolaj Trzaska Clarinet Quartet - *Watching Edvard* (Kilogram)
Alvin Fielder - *Live at the Guelph Jazz Festival* (Creative Collective) • David Kikoski - *Consequences* (Criss Cross) • Masabumi Kikuchi Trio - *Sunrise* (ECM)
s (Tzadik) • Yoni Kretzmer 2Bass Quartet - *Weight* (OutNow) • Ralph Lalama BopJuice - *Live at Smalls* (smallsLIVE)
Science (Cuneiform) • Fred Lonberg-Holm's Fast Citizens - *Gather* (Delmark) • Russ Lossing - *Drum Music (Music of Paul Motian)* (Sunnyside)
News (Clean Feed) • Bill McHenry - *La Peur Du Vide* (Sunnyside) • Joe McPhee/Ingebrigt Håker Flaten - *Brooklyn DNA* (Clean Feed)
gram/Tom Rainey - *Nawora* (Leo) • Ted Nash - *The Creep* (Plastic Sax) • Evan Parker/Georg Graewe - *Dortmund Variations* (Nuscope)
arker/Okkyung Lee/Peter Evans - *The Bleeding Edge* (psi) • Stefan Pasborg - *Free Moby Dick* (ILK Music)
m (Clean Feed) • Mike Reed's People Places & Things - *Clean on the Corner* (482 Music) • Eric Revis' 11:11 - *Parallax* (Clean Feed)
is (Doc-Tone) • Ned Rothenberg - *World of Odd Harmonics* (Tzadik) • Alexander von Schlippenbach - *Plays Monk (solo piano)* (Intakt)
mith/Louis Moholo-Moholo - *Ancestors* (TUM) • Gary Smulyan - *Smul's Paradise* (Capri) • Jesse Stacken - *Bagatelles for Trio* (Fresh Sound-New Talent)
v - *Phone Book* (ILK Music) • Trio M - *The Guest House* (Enja) • Gebhard Ullmann/Jürgen Kupke/Michael Thieke - *The Clarinet Trio: 4* (Leo)
s (Hi4Head) • Veryan Weston/Ingrid Laubrock/Hannah Marshall - *Haste* (Emanem) • Nate Wooley/Christian Weber/Paul Lytton - *Six Feet Under* (NoBusiness)