

GANELIN TRIO PRIORITY

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Vyacheslav Ganelin - piano, synthesizer, percussion

Petras Vysniauskas - soprano saxophone

Klaus Kugel - drums, percussion

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Featuring Vyacheslav Ganelin on piano, synth & percussion, Petras Vysniauskas on alto & soprano saxes and Klaus Kugel on drums. This is the new Ganelin Trio (Priority), featuring their original pianist & synth player, Vyacheslav Ganelin, with other extraordinary musicians: Lithuanian sax master, Petras Yvsniauskas, and the great German drummer, Klaus Kugel. Both Petras and Klaus appeared on an amazing but overlooked gem of a disc on Hatology last year, a sextet led by Theo Jorgensmann called 'Fellowship'. Klaus is also a member of Carnival Skin, Syntopia and Steve Swell's Slammin' the Infinite. This DVD is nearly an hour & a half and is superbly filmed and recorded. It consists of three long pieces, the first over a half hour apiece. "Conversation I" begins delicately with Ganelin on soft synth, Petras on hushed soprano and Klaus on sublime cymbals. The concert takes place in lovely, large room with excellent sound and sightlines for all. This is a grand trio that works together supremely, building beautifully with magical results. The music has an elegant ECM-like sound, yet eventually builds into a more turbulent section strong piano and drum interplay as Petras rides the waves with his soprano sax. Ganelin is an old master who balances his synth and piano just right, playing shades and shadows with the synth as he cascades up and down the keyboard. Klaus is also wonderful bowing cymbals and punctuating the waves that Ganelin provides. This is an extraordinary trio that works together in perfect balance, each navigating and pushing the trio in their own direction before submerging into the great waves that wash over all who watch and listen.

- Bruce Gallanter, Downtown Music Gallery, NYC, USA, 2007



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