

Mp3 The Auratones - Mazzu Mazzu



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A fusion of styles that the Auratones themselves call "Modern Soul Jazz " or " Jazz with a Beat ". The music speaks for itself . Our music travels from 12 MP3 Songs JAZZ: Jazz Fusion, POP: with Live-band

Production Details: THE AURATONES The Dutch group The Auratones was founded in 1996 by guitarist Tjeerd van Zanen, saxophonist Rolf Delfos and bassplayer Boudewijn Lucas. They selected a number of very fine musicians who had worked with some of the best bands and artists in Holland and abroad, all jazz funk orientated. It's an eight piece band: drums, percussion bass, guitar keys and three hornplayers. Also check the biography of the individual bandmembers on our site theauratones.com! The first CD "Funny Sounds", which was released 1997 through Red Bullet Records, flirted with "easy tune", a retro-style, hot and hip in the London disco's during those days. The hype disappeared, but The Auratones remained. Soon the direction in the music changed to funky souljazz, some of it with a latin flavour. It proved an ideal combination of groovy music and the freedom of jazz improvisation: hot steamy crowds can tell! Many clubgigs and jazzfestivals in Holland followed. The band gained a great live-reputation: an enormous drive, excellent music presentation and humor on stage. In '00-'01 they did get a regular gig at the jazzcaf Dizzy in Rotterdam. Every two weeks there was a new concert: an excellent opportunity to experiment and to compose new original material. In '02 the CD "Jazz, Jazz, Jazz" was released: a variety of 13 songs with a few common factors: a heavy swinging rhythmsection, tight horns and kick-ass jazzy solos. In the meanwhile also the bigger festivals began to take notice of The Auratones. They played for instance at the Bossa Estufa-festival in Maastricht together with the New Cool Collective and Zuco 103, the World Port Jazzfestival in Rotterdam, twice at the worldfamous North Sea Jazzfestival in The Hague and in the Caribbean at the Heineken Jazzfestival on the island of Curaao. The Auratones also played an hour live on Dutch radio in "Sesjun", a jazz radioshow with over 25 years of

live performances of the top of the international jazzscene. The band was announced as: "a combination of all the good stuff heard in the rich history of Sesjun". In july '04 The Auratones performed at the International Summer Jazzfestival in Riga, Latvia. Just recently in May '04 the band released a new CD with the title "Mazzu Mazzu". This CD marks a new leap in the development of the music of the Auratones. The music is more subtile then ever and the grooves are deeper, but there are also some hilarious pieces on it. It is clear that the sound of the band becomes more and more unique. There are three guests participating on this last project. Two truely wonderful Dutch singers, Vera van der Poel and Linda Bloemhard, who prove that you don't have to travel far from the Netherlands to find a worldclass act, and the famous supergroovy rapper E-life.

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