Mp3 Keith Killgo - Mood For Love



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Contemporary jazz from the Blackbyrds drummer and vocalist. 8 MP3 Songs JAZZ: Jazz Fusion, JAZZ: Jazz Vocals Details: Keith Killgo, drummer, vocalist and one of the founding members of the jazz-fusion group, the Blackbyrds, has been a part of the metamorphosis that has taken place in the world of jazz. From the age of four years old he studied piano going on to train with Roberta Flack. Although the piano was his first instrument, his affinity for the drums was exhibited early in his music career. By the time he was eleven he had played drums with Sonny Stitt, Stan Getz, Miles Davis, Woody Shaw, Bill Hardman, Art Blakeys band and Eddie Harris. Killgo entered Bradley University in Illinois where he became a part of the Joe Henderson Quintet, along with Stanley Clark, Hal Galper and Woody Shaw. After playing and touring with Joe Henderson, he attended Howard University, where he met Donald Byrd and was selected to become a member of the Blackbyrds with Orville Saunders and Joe Hall. For the next ten years, the Blackbyrds played with George Duke, Herbie Hancock, Bobby Humphrey, Sonny Rollins and Andrew White. They received an array of awards including three gold albums and a Grammy nomination for Walking in Rhythm. Killgo wrote several hit singles for the Blackbyrds including, Flying High, and Time is Moving. After the affiliation with Donald Byrd ended in 1977, Killgo and the Blackbyrds collaborated with George Duke on Better Days. Killgo wrote both the title song and Love Dont Strike Twice. He later went on to form Krosswinds, a seven-person band, as well as recoding a solo LP consisting of three original compositions and a new version of Tommy James hit single, Crystal Blue Persuasion. Killgo has performed and/or recorded with his own band and artists as diverse as Stevie Wonder, Joe Williams, Jimmy Witherspoon, Gary Bartz, Milt Jackson, Carla Thomas, Gerald Albright, Carl Anderson, Roland Hanna, David Fathead Newman, Stanley Turrentine, Joey DeFranscesco, Wynton Marsalis, Dianne Reeves, James Moody, Patrice Rushen and others. One of Keiths projects is StarJamz, a music

performance entertainment television special aired on TV One. The show brings together two stars from different generations to talk, perform individually, together and jam live with Keith Killgos StarJamz House Band. The first special features NAACP Image Award winner and American Idol 2003 champion Ruben Studdard and multiple Grammy Award-winning soul vocalist Peabo Bryson. Keith released two solo CD projects, 'Mood for Love' and 'This World' on his Krosslink label. Most recently the jazz percussionist and Washington D.C. native performed at Strathmore (strathmore.org) during the month of April as part of Strathmores Artist in Residence program. His public performances on Wednesday, April 5 and Wednesday, April 26 will took place in the intimate 100-seat Music Room in the Mansion at Strathmore. The performance on April 5 featured the standards, including arrangements from the JFK Quintet, and original music from Keith's latest CD. The final performance on April 26 featured a full backing band and the world premiere of a piece commissioned by Strathmore. Look for the next CD release, "Keith Killgo Jazz Live at Strathmore' in late June, 2006. Visit Keith's website at krosslinkfor more information or email Keith at krosslink@comcast.net.

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