WOODY BLACK 4 Winners of the European Jazz Contest 2014

about

Woody Black 4 is a jazz- bassclarinet quartet. The vienna- based group is mostly playing original compositions which are orbiting in the multifarious spheres of modern jazz but also allow for the occasional excursion into the avantgarde and film music. In May 2014 the formation had the opportunity to win the renowned "European Jazz Contest", whose finals took place in Maastricht, Netherlands. In the end of 2014 they will record their second album.

Presstext

"Woody Black 4"are on a mission to explore all the style elements that have been brought forward by contemporary composers playing the black wood. The warm sound is what they are after, breaking, exploding or diluting it at times thus creating a broad range of styles which is characteristic of their works. A quartet of bass clarinets which orbits in the spheres of modern jazz but also allows for the occasional excursion into the avant-garde.

Woody Black 4 are

Oscar Antoli: clarinet, bassclarinet

Daniel Moser: bassclarinet

Stephan Dickbauer: clarinet, bassclarinet

Leonhard Skorupa: bassclarinet



Winners of the European Jazz Contest 2014

The European Jazz Contest is one of the few international jazz competitions in europa. The finals in 2014 took place in Ainsii- Theater Maastricht (Netherlands). "Woody Black 4" convinced the jury due to their originality, distinguished instrumental and technical skills as well as due to their unique original compositions.

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- 3 Rafiki | Leonhard Skorupa
- 4 Nightwalk with her | Daniel Moser
- 5 Rally | Ron Carter, Klaus Dickbauer, Woody Black 4
- 6 Wayne | Leonhard Skorupa
- 7 Puschtra Jodler | Trad. Arr. Daniel Moser
- 8 Die Blockflöte | Vincent Pongracz
- 9 Jürgen die Blockflöte | Vincent Pongracz
- 10 Sant Passt | Oscar Antoli
- 11 Der Lobbyist | Leonhard Skorupa
- 12 Vigorous | Vincent Pongracz
- 13 Dat Dere | Bobby Timmons
- 14 Gott Hans | Woody Black 4

Recorded 2013 at RienößIgasse by Sebastian Vötterl and 2011 at lengau studio by Klaus Dickbauer. All tracks mixed and mastered by Sebastian Vötterl.

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Reviews

"I enjoyed listening to their music... the sound is refreshing, the music creative, the playing terrific and fun to listen to."

Eddie Daniels

"If you want a fresh outlook on ensemble sound, improvisational possibilities and compositional concepts, mixed with some fine playing - here it is! Woody Black 4 created a sound area that is completely their own."

Wolfgang Puschnig

"The slapping, woody horniness, four different characters but one band: woodyblack4! Cool groove, tight rhythm, bright and warm sound, exceptional improvisations and a plenty of different style elements ... contemporary music? avant-garde? modern jazz? Call it like you want, it is just great music!"

Matthias Schorn (Wiener Philharmoniker)

"Jazz on 1 bass clarinet is great, so can you imagine how it sounds with 4!! A great and very well played CD by young guys from Spain, Austria and Italy. Congratulations Woody Black 4 and please go on!!!"

Harry Sparnaay