

ALBUMS OF THE YEAR

JD ALLEN – *Americana, Vol. 2* (Savant)  
 ZOH AMBA – *O, Sun* (Tzadik)  
 ANGLES – *A Muted Reality* (Clean Feed)  
 AVISHAI COHEN – *Naked Truth* (ECM)  
 ANDREW CYRILLE/WILLIAM PARKER/ENRICO RAVA – *2 Blues for Cecil* (TUM)  
 KAJA DRAKSLER/SUSANA SANTOS SILVA – *Grow* (Intakt)  
 DREAMSTRUCK (MARILYN CRISPELL/JOE FONDA/HARVEY SORGEN) – *With Grace In Mind* (Fundacja Sluchaj)  
 SATOKO FUJII/JOE FONDA – *Thread of Light* (Fundacja Sluchaj)  
 JACOB GARCHIK – *Assembly* (Yestereve)  
 NATSUKI TAMURA – *Summer Tree* (Libra) – Laurence Donohue-Greene  
 JD ALLEN – *Americana, Vol. 2* (Savant)  
 ANGLES – *A Muted Reality* (Clean Feed)  
 SÉRGIO CAROLINO – *Below 0* (Clean Feed)  
 I AM: ISAIAH COLLIER/MICHAEL SHEKWOAGA ODE – *Beyond* (Division 81)  
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 MARY HALVORSON – *Amaryllis & Belladonna* (Nonesuch)  
 BARRE PHILLIPS/GYÖRGY KURTÁG, JR. – *Face à Face* (ECM)  
 PERRY ROBINSON/MARK WHITECAGE/KEN FILIANO/LOU GRASSI – *Live@VisionFest20* (Not Two) – Andrey Henkin

CONCERTS OF THE YEAR

**TRIO 3**  
*Oliver Lake, Reggie Workman, Andrew Cyrille + Bruce Williams*  
 February 5th, Dizzy's Club  
**MARC CARY TRIO**  
*Kris Monson, Diego Joaquin + Shariff Simmons*  
 March 16th, Jazzmobile Presents, Interchurch Center  
**AMERICAN SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA**  
*Conducted by Leon Botstein with Marcus Roberts, Rodney Jordan, Jason Marsalis, Catherine Russell, Andy Farber, Joseph Goldberg, Dan Block, Ricardo Pascal, Jay Brandford, Anthony Kadleck, Andrew Kemp, Thomas Hoyt, Matthew Gasiorowski, Shaton Edmonds, Brian Pareschi, Alphonso Horne, Kavi Hassan Best, Richard Clark, Michael Lormand, Christopher Olness, Bruce Bonvissuto, Dion Tucker, Max Seigel, Kyle Turner*  
 March 24th, Carnegie Hall Stern Auditorium  
**A.L. THOMAS KRÜGER WITH BRASS QUINTET POTSA LOTSA**  
*Silke Eberhard, Nikolaus Neuser, Matthias Muche, Wolfgang Schmidke, Anke Lucks*  
 April 21st, Jazzwerkstatt Berlin-NY Festival, Roulette  
**KRIS DAVIS/DAVE HOLLAND**  
 April 30th, Bang On A Can Long Play Festival, Littlefield  
**WORLD SAXOPHONE QUARTET**  
*David Murray, James Carter, Greg Osby, Bruce Williams*  
 June 26th, Vision Festival, The Clemente Soto Velez  
**ELVIN JONES LIGHTHOUSE PROJECT**  
*Dave Liebman, Jerry Bergonzi, Gene Perla, Adam Nussbaum*  
 June 30th, Nublu 151  
**COLIN STETSON SOLO**  
 November 3rd, National Sawdust  
**JOHN ZORN NEW MASADA QUARTET**  
*Julian Lage, Jorge Roeder, Kenny Wollesen and guest Hilary Hahn*  
 November 27th, Roulette  
**DARIUS JONES QUARTET**  
*Micah Thomas, Chris Lightcap, Ches Smith*  
 December 3rd, Bar Bayeux – Laurence Donohue-Greene

**DAVID MURRAY QUARTET**  
*Dave Burrell, Rashawn Carter, Russell Carter*  
 March 2nd, Blue Note  
**RENKU**  
*Michaël Attias, John Hébert, Satoshi Takeishi*  
 March 9th, Soapbox Gallery  
**FRANK VIGNOLA GUITAR NIGHT**  
*Jimmy Bruno and guest Sheryl Bailey*  
 March 30th, Birdland Theater  
**BLOODMIST**  
*Jeremiah Cymerman, Toby Driver, Mario Diaz de Leon*  
 April 30th, The Stone at The New School  
**MARY HALVORSON'S AMARYLLIS & BELLADONNA**  
*Adam O'Farrill, Jacob Garchik, Patricia Brennan, Nick Dunston, Tomas Fujiwara, Mivoo Quartet: Olivia De Prato, Maya Bennardo, Victor Lowrie Tafoya, Tyler J. Borden*  
 May 18th, National Sawdust  
**VOID PATROL**  
*Payton MacDonald, Billy Martin*  
 Elliott Sharp, Colin Stetson  
 June 2nd, The Sultan Room  
**DREAMSTRUCK**  
*Marilyn Crispell, Joe Fonda, Harvey Sorgen*  
 September 8th, Roulette  
**ERIK FRIEDLANDER/MARK HELIAS/SATOSHI TAKEISHI**  
 September 28th, Zürcher Gallery  
**DEATHBLOW**  
*Amanda Monaco, Joe Fiedler, Sean Conly, Satoshi Takeishi*  
 October 27th, Lioness Women in Jazz Series, Flushing Town Hall  
**JOSH SINTON PREDICATE QUARTET**  
*Jonathan Finlayson, Christopher Hoffman, Tom Rainey*  
 December 7th, Cria Cuervo Series, Academy Records Annex – Andrey Henkin

MISCELLANEOUS CATEGORIES OF THE YEAR

**UNEARTHED GEMS**  
**ART BLAKEY & THE JAZZ MESSENGERS** – *In Concert* (SteepleChase)  
**ALAN BRAUFMAN** – *Live in New York City* (Valley of Search)  
**PETER BRÖTZMANN/FRED VAN HOVE/HAN BENNINK** – *Jazz in der Kammer Nr. 71* (Trost)  
**DICK HYMAN** – *George Avakian Presents One Step to Chicago: The Legacy of Frank Teschemacher and the Austin High Gang* (Rivermont)  
**CHARLES MINGUS** – *The Lost Album from Ronnie Scott's* (Resonance)  
**LATIN RELEASES**  
**MARTIN BEJERANO** – *#CubanAmerican* (Figgländ)  
**PATRICIA BRENNAN** – *More Touch* (Pyroclastic)  
**JOE MCCARTHY'S NEW YORK AFRO BOP ALLIANCE BIG BAND** – *The Pan American Nutcracker Suite* (Angelface)  
**CHUCHO VALDÉS/PAQUITO D'RIVERA REUNION SEXTET** – *I Missed You Too!* (Paquito-Sunnyside)  
**MIGUEL ZENÓN** – *Música de Las Américas* (Miel Music)  
**VOCAL RELEASES**  
**CAMILLE BERTAULT/DAVID HELBOCK** – *Playground* (ACT Music)  
**SAMARA JOY** – *Linger Awhile* (Verve)  
**FRED MOTEN/BRANDON LÓPEZ/GERALD CLEAVER** – *Eponymous* (Reading Group)  
**CATHERINE RUSSELL** – *Send For Me* (Dot Time)  
**CÉCILE McLORIN SALVANT** – *Ghost Song* (Nonesuch)

**TRIBUTES**  
**STEVEN BERNSTEIN & THE HOT 9** – *Manifesto Of Henry-isms* (Community Music, Vol. 3) (Royal Potato Family)  
**AKOB BRO/JOE LOVANO** – *Once Around The Room: A Tribute to Paul Motian* (ECM)  
**STEVE CARDENAS/BEN ALLISON/TED NASH** – *Healing Power: The Music of Carla Bley* (Sunnyside)  
**STEFAN PASBORG** – *Ritual Dance* (Sunnyside)  
**JEONG LIM YANG** – *Zodiac Suite: Reassured* (Fresh Sound-New Talent)  
**DEBUTS**  
**ZOH AMBA** – *O, Sun* (Tzadik)  
**INGER HANNISDAL** – *North South East West* (Jazzland)  
**MALI OBOMSAWIN** – *Sweet Tooth* (Out Of Your Head)  
**NICOLÁS POLITZER** – *Será Niebla* (ears&eyes)  
**RICK ROSATO** – *Homage* (s/r)

**ORIGINAL ALBUM ARTWORK**  
**STEVEN BERNSTEIN & THE HOT 9** – *Manifesto Of Henry-isms* (Community Music, Vol. 3) (Royal Potato Family)  
**GERALD CLAYTON** – *Bells on Sand* (Blue Note)  
**JOÃO GATO APOPHENIA** – *Prötzel* (Robalo)  
**STEFAN PASBORG** – *Ritual Dance* (Sunnyside)  
**HELGA PLANCKENSTEINER** – *Barionda* (Jazzwerkstatt)  
**LIVE ALBUMS**  
**SERGIO FEDELE** – *Le Melancolie di Tifeo* (Setola Di Maiale)  
**SATOKO FUJII** – *Hyaku: One Hundred Dreams* (Libra)  
**HAL GALPER TRIO** – *Invitation to Openness* (Live at Big Twig) (Origin)  
**JOE HERTENSTEIN** – *Live During Lockdown* (feat. Michael Moore & Greg Cohen) (Jazzwerkstatt)  
**PUNKT. VRT. PLASTIK (KAJA DRAKSLER/PETTER ELDH/CHRISTIAN LILLINGER)** – *Zurich Concert* (Intakt)

MUSICIANS OF THE YEAR

JOE FONDA (bass)  
 MARY HALVORSON (guitar)  
 SHABAKA HUTCHINGS (saxophone)  
 INGRID LAUBROCK (saxophone)  
 OLIVER LAKE (saxophone, vocals, poetry)

VENUES OF THE YEAR

THE JAZZ GALLERY (jazzgallery.org)  
 ROULETTE (roulette.org)  
 SMOKE (smokejazz.com)  
 THE STONE AT THE NEW SCHOOL (thestonenyc.com)  
 VILLAGE VANGUARD (villagevanguard.com)

LABELS OF THE YEAR

CLEAN FEED (cleanfeed-records.com)  
 ECM (ecmrecords.com)  
 FUNDACJA SLUCHAJ (fsrecords.net)  
 ROGUEART (rogueart.com)  
 TZADIK (tzadik.com)

UP-AND-COMERS OF THE YEAR

ZOH AMBA (saxophone)  
 ISAIAH COLLIER (saxophone)  
 NICK DUNSTON (bass)  
 LEO GENOVESE (keyboards)  
 SAMARA JOY (vocals)

HONORABLE MENTIONS—NEW RELEASES

Ahanes - *Petrichor* (Clean Feed) • Zolt Amba - *O Life, O Light Vol. 1* (577) • Arild Andersen - *Affirmation* (ECM) • Lucian Ban - *Ways of Disappearing* (Sunnyside) • Battle Trance - *Green of Winter* (New Amsterdam) • Konrad Bauer/Georg Gräwe/John Lindberg - *Sottobosco* (Random Acoustics) • Karl Berger/Max Johnson/Billy Mintz - *Sketches* (Fresh Sound) • Johan Berthling - *Björnhorn* (Thanatos) • Michael Blake - *Comboulaté* (Newvelle) • Bloodmist - *arc* (5049) • Mihály Borbély - *Miracles of the Night* (BMC) • Alina Bzhezinska & HipHarpCollective - *Reflections* (Strut) • Daniel Carter/Matthew Shipp/William Parker/Gerald Cleaver - *Welcome Adventure*, Vol. 2 (577) • Andrea Centazzo/Francesca Gemmo - *Binary Souls* (Ictus) • The Chicago Plan - *For New Zealand* (Not Two) • Albert Cirera/Kamarilla - *Aquella Cosa* (Underpool) • Cliffs - *Eponymous* (Off) • Copenhagen Clarinet Choir - *Organism* (Ar&Dag) • Tomasz Dabrowski & The Individual Beings - *Eponymous* (April) • Glenn Dickson - *Wider Than The Sky* (s/r) • Kaja Drakslar - *In Otherness Oneself* (Unsounds) • Trevor Dunn's trio-convulsant avec folie à quatre - *séances* (Pyroclastic) • Tony Falco/Josh Sinton/Jed Wilson - *Adumbrations* (Form Is Possibility) • Avram Fefer - *Juba Lee* (Clean Feed) • Michael Formanek/Tim Berne/Craig Taborn/Gerald Cleaver - *Other Zones* (Circular File) • Yuko Fujiyama/Graham Haynes/Ikue Mori - *Quiet Passion* (Intakt) • Stephen Gauci/Joe Hertenstein - *Soundlift Berlin-New York* (featuring Alexander von Schlippenbach & Jan Roder) (Gaucimusic) • Sverre Gjørsvad - *Here Comes The Sun* (Losen) • Larry Goldings/Peter Bernstein/Bill Stewart - *Perpetual Pendulum* (Smoke Sessions) • Mats Gustafsson/NU Ensemble - *Hidros 8* (Trost) • Hard Rubber Orchestra - *Iguana* (Red Shift) • High Alpine Huf Network - *727 / 16* (Ansible Editions) • Lisa Hilton - *Paradise Cove* (Ruby Slipper Prod.) • Shabaka Hutchings - *African Culture* (Impulse!) • Ilmilieki Quartet - *Eponymous* (We Jazz) • Insomnia Brass Band - *Road Works* (Tiger Moon) • Clément Janinet - *Ornette Under the Repetitive Skies III* (BMC) • Darren Johnston - *Life in Time* (Origin) • Sylvain Kassap - *Octobres* (RogueArt) • Franklin Kiermyer's Scatter The Atoms That Remain - *Emancipation Suite* (Mobility Music) • Kirk Knuffke - *Gravity Without Airs* (IAO Forms) • KontraSax - *Die Kunst Des Reisens* (JazzHausMusik) • Ingrid Laubrock/Andy Milne - *Fragile* (Intakt) • Ingrid Laubrock/Tom Rainey - *Counterfeit Mars* (Relative Pitch) • Urs Leimgruber/Jacques Demierre/Barre Phillips - *Last Concert in Europe* (Jazzwerkstatt) • José Lencastre - *Inner Voices* (Burning Ambulance) • Janel Leppin - *Ensemble Volcanic Ash* (Cuneiform) • Charles Lloyd - *Trios: Sacred Thread* (Blue Note) • Brandon López/Ingrid Laubrock/Tom Rainey - *No es la playa* (Intakt) • Tony Malaby/Angelica Sanchez/Tom Rainey - *Huapango* (RogueArt) • Rob Mazurek - *All Distances Inform* (RogueArt) • Jim McNeely/Frankfurt Radio Big Band (feat. Chris Potter) - *Rituals* (Challenge-Double Moon) • Joe McPhee/Evan Parker - *Sweet Nothings* (for Milford Graves) (Corbett vs. Dempsey) • Ikue Mori - *Tracing The Magic* (Tzadik) • Kyle Motl - *Hydra Nightingale* (Infrequent Seams) • Matthias Müller/Matthias Muche/Jeb Bishop - *Trombones From A To B* (Jazzwerkstatt) • David Murray/Brad Jones/Hamid Drake - *Seriana Promethea* (Intakt) • Michael Musillami/Rich Syracuse/Jeff Siegel - *Flight of Eoangelina* (Playscape) • Lucas Niggli/Matthias Loibner - *Still Storm* (Intakt) • Gard Nilssen Acoustic Unity - *Elastic Wave* (ECM) • Paal Nilssen-Love Circus - *Pairs of Three* (PNL) • The OGB Quartet - *Ode To O* (TUM) • Kresten Osgood - *Plays The Organ For You* (April) • Martin Philadelphy/Kresten Osgood - *Komp* (Delphy) • Émile Parisien - *Louise* (ACT) • Jeff Parker - *Mondays at The Enfield Tennis Academy* (Eremita) • Jeff Parker/Eric Revis/Nasheet Waits - *Eastside Romp* (RogueArt) • Helga Planckensteiner - *Barionda* (Jazzwerkstatt) • PLOP & JUNNU - *Eponymous* (Fiasko) • Anton Ponomarev/Konstantin Korolev/Andrey Kim - *Teufelskeller* (WV Sorcerer Prod.) • Marek Pospieszalski - *Dürer's Mother* (Clean Feed) • A Pride of Lions - *No Questions No Answers* (RogueArt) • Harish Raghavan - *In Tense* (Whirlwind) • Enrico Rava/Fred Hersch - *The Song Is You* (ECM) • Dave Rempis/Avreeayl Ra - *Benuu* (Aerophonie) • Joel Ross - *The Parable of The Poet* (Blue Note) • Anders Røysum/Christian Meas Svendsen/Kresten Osgood - *Music Improvised on September 23rd, 2021* (Astral Spirits) • Shake Stew - *Heat* (Traumton) • Matthew Shipp/Mark Helias - *The New Syntax* (Rogue Art) • Josh Sinton's Predicate Quartet - *Four Freedoms* (Form Is Possibility) • Wadada Leo Smith/Henry Kaiser/Alex Varty - *Pacific Coral Reef* (577) • Torben Snekkestad/Søren Kjægaard - *Another Way of the Heart* (Trost) • Jürg Solothurnmann/Josep-Maria Balanyà - *Natural Born Structures* (Creative Works) • Günter Baby Sommer/Raymond MacDonald - *Sounds, Songs & Other Noises* (Clean Feed) • Tyshawn Sorey Trio + 1 (with Greg Osby) - *The Off-Off Broadway Guide to Synergism* (Pi) • Spaces Unfolding - *The Way We Speak* (Bead) • Subsystem - *Drei* (Tiger Moon) • T.ON - *Plays Matthias Muche* (Impakt) • Tarbaby (feat. Oliver Lake) - *Dance of the Evil Toys* (Clean Feed) • Thumbscrew - *Multicolored Midnight* (Cuneiform) • Scott Tinkler - *Goose to Goose* (s/r) • Mark Turner - *Return From The Stars* (ECM) • Lisa Ullén/Elsa Bergman/Anna Lund - *Space* (Relative Pitch) • Vellum - *Glints* (Ni-Vu-Ni-Connu) • David Virelles - *Nuna* (Pi) • Andreas Willers - *search & rescue* (JazzHausMusik) • Martin Wind New York Bass Quartet - *Air* (Laika) • Francis Wong - *Legends and Legacies II* (Asian Improv) • John Yao's Triceratops - *Off-Killer* (See Tao Music) • John Zorn - *Suite for Piano* (Tzadik)