



Steinar Aadnekvam Freedoms Tree

Not quite your everyday acquaintance, Norwegian globetrotter guitarist Steinar Aadnekvam is one of few players in the world who plays contemporary jazz on the acoustic nylon guitar. Here is a player within a guitar tradition that can be traced back to1970s jazz rock guitar pioneers such as Larry Coryell, Al Di Meola, Jukka Tolonen and others – but in a highly personal and contemporary way.

Freedoms Tree is Steinar Aadnekvam's fourth studio album following up a series of albums since 2010 - two of them recorded in Brazil - that were all released to high critical praise and together presented a multi-faceted, extraordinary player, composer and musical architect.

This album is Aadnekvam's most ambitious effort to date and the title refers to the idea that the lifelong development of musical expression is like a growing tree. The musician, in his life and in his art, climbs the tree, reaching for that freedom that can only be expressed through music.

Freedoms Tree was recorded live at the classic studio, Atlantis Grammofon in Stockholm, Sweden and features an international range of extraordinary players and guest performers.

Pianist **Jonatan Guzman** is a harmoniously rich player and lays down a lush landscape backed by acoustic bassist **Patric Thorman** and winged by uncompromising afro-jazz grooves from Mozambican drummer **Deodato Siquir**.

Flutist and saxophonist **Peter Fredman** is one of the top session players in Sweden and his presence and interpretations contribute greatly.

Lead singer **Gustav Orphée Noah**, son of French jazz diva Elisabeth Kontomanou, is a rising vocal star with an amazing voice in the soul-jazz idiom.

Cuban violinist **Santiago Jimenez Borges**, is known amongst his peers as 'El Monstro' and is quite simply a jaw-dropping violin virtuoso with a foot in Indian classical music.

In addition, Swedish vibraphonist **Mattias Stål** and cellist **Cecilia Linné** also contribute to the end result: An album that stretches out in all directions without ever losing its focus.

A jazz gem. A future classic. An album expected to make serious impact in 2015 and beyond.

Join us in the exciting musical adventure that is Steinar Aadnekvam's, **Freedoms Tree**.

Steinar Aadnekvam acoustic guitar, voice, whistling Jonatan Guzman piano
Patric Thorman bass
Deodato Siquir drums, percussion, voice
Peter Fredman flute, alto saxophone
Gustav Orphée Noah lead vocals
Santiago Jimenez Borges violin
Mattias Ståhl vibraphone
Cecilia Linné cello

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