

Nikki Iles - Stan Sulzmann Duo

Stan Sulzmann

‘But a shining light of the whole attractive enterprise is the presence of Stan Sulzmann, who seems to sound more personal and hauntingly moving than ever.’ **John Fordham, Jazz UK**

‘It simply doesn’t get any better than this.’ **John Kelman**

‘Sulzmann – the classy composer’ **John Fordham**

‘Unquestionably one of the best post bop releases of the year, Sulzmann’s The Jigsaw will hopefully hip North American audiences to what the British have known all along.’ **John Kelman, All About Jazz**

‘The chemistry of 2010 Mercury prize nominee pianist Kit Downes, vibraphonist Jim Hart and drummer Tim Giles was an inspirational setting for the lyrical saxophonist Stan

Sulzmann in his second edition of the Neon group’. **The Guardian**

‘ravishing, delicious, powerful and direct...meticulously written, sometimes echoing the imaginative and much missed orchestra of Michael Gibbs’ **The Guardian**

Nikki Iles

‘A formidable UK jazz presence rising to her full height.’ **The Guardian (John Fordham)**

‘Iles is one of the most refreshing figures to have emerged in the UK scene in recent times, with a liquid sound and supple, obliquely resolved phrasing as an improviser.’ **The Guardian (John Fordham)**

‘Formidably creative...’ **The Guardian (John Fordham)**

‘Nikki Iles is a pianist of extraordinary imagination who thrives on fugitive melodies’ **The Observer (Dave Gelly)**

‘Iles displayed the rhythmic surprises, shape shifting phrases, playful dialogue with a mix of ruggedness and reflection that make her comparable with the great John Taylor.’ **The**

Saxophonist Stan Sulzmann and pianist Nikki Iles are iconic figures on the UK jazz scene composing and playing in their own distinctive contemporary styles. Despite a long-standing musical friendship and frequent collaborations, it has been almost 20 years since Stan and Nikki recorded their first album Treasure Trove. It is a shared love of the Standard Jazz Repertoire that brings them together for their latest album Stardust.