

Lionel Martin

Born 1974 Lyon, FRANCE

saxophones

Classical and jazz training, and a love for music where we don't expect it. Can be found playing equally at an international jazz festival or a street corner near you! Laureat of the Geixto Festival in Spain in 1997, his talents were again confirmed at the 2001 Festival in Vaulx en Velin FRANCE, where he was met with instant acclaim and was awarded first prize.

Current projects:

- **ANIMOTs**. New cross-culture project by producer Luke Gilliam. Trio Resistances + Fred Roudet and compositions by canadian pianist Adam Daudrich.
- **L'Oeil Mechanique** (the mechanical eye). 4tet with Xavier Garcia, Hasse Poulsen, Bruno Tocanne.
- **Trio Résistances**. Benoit Keller, Lionel martin, Bruno Tocanne. since 2002
- Lionel Martin Trio Revelation "Suivez le Jazz" 2001 selected by Jazz Migrations by the AFIJMA in 2002
- **Y'en a qui manquent pas d'air**. An initiative by Catherine Delaunay
- **Le Manacuba**. franco-cuban orchestra under direction of Luc Le Masne
- **imuZZic network**. (Delaunay, Tocanne, Keller, Badault, d'Inca, Greaves, among others...)
- **L'Octobando**- turkish brass band under direction of Senem Diyci with Patrick Charbonnier...
- **Bruno Tocanne Trio**. with Damien Cluzel

Musicians he has played with:

Serge **Lazeravitch**, Régis **Huby**, Jean-Fran **Baez**, Alain **Blesing**, Bertrand **Renaudin**, Denis **Badault**, Laurent **Cugny**, Dider **Havet**, François **Thuillier**, Laurent **Dehors**, Jean-Louis **Pommier**, Jacques Di **Donato**, Eric **Prost**, Sophia **Domancich**, guest with **ZAM** in Ile de France: Olivier **Sens**, François **Merville**, Vincent **Courtois**.

Festivals:

Geixto (Spain), Ionina (Greece), Montreal OFF Festival, Couches, Grenoble, Havana, Reims, Querbes, Rive de Gier, A Vaulx JAZZ, LA Doua Villeurbanne, Montbrison...

Discography:

- **Etats d'Urgence** -Trio Résistances. Tocanne, Martin, Keller. Cristal Records 2006.
- **Global Songs**- Trio Résistances. Tocanne, Martin, Keller. Cristal Records 2004.
- **Résistances**- Trio Résistances. Tocanne, Martin, Keller. Cristal Records 2001.
- **Coeur de lune** Y'en a qui manquent pas d'air. Nocturne 2004
- **Live à Gexto**. Free Sons sextet- 1999.

Press:

"Lionel Martin makes a case for improvised music with a charged, loquacious saxophone sound"

"Jazz without borders...a powerful and refined improviser, recalls a certain Louis Sclavis" **Le Figaro**