

Steven Delannoye

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Experience...

Steven graduated at the jazz department of the Lemmens Institute in Belgium, where his main saxophone teacher was Frank Vaganée. During his years in the music school he was mentored by John Ruocco, Ben Sluijs, Peter Hertmans, Dre Pallemmaerts, Nic Thys and the late Pierre Van Dormael, and enjoyed workshops by Phil Woods, Mark Turner, Bob Mintzer and Bill Carrothers.

In the end of 2006 Steven moved to Brussels because of the inspiring cultural activity of the blossoming metropole. Only after a few weeks in the city he collaborated with the jazz musicians' collective 'Les Lundis d'Hortense' and started engagements with Brussels Jazz Orchestra, the Jazz Station Big Band, Jean-Paul Estiévenart quartet, Collapse, Peter Hertmans, Nicolas Thys, Jeroen Van Herzeele, Lode Vercampt, Bart Defoort, Toon Van Dionant, Manolo Cabras, Dre Pallemmaerts, Erik Vermeulen, Pascal Mohy, Christian Mendoza, Frederik Leroux, Lorenzo Di Maio,...

Besides numerous sessions in his house in Brussels.

During his years in Brussels Steven travelled a few times to the city of music: New York, where he spent some time, close to his heroes Mark Turner and Tony Malaby. The experience with the music of Tony Malaby has inspired Steven deeply and opened ways to free improvisation and contemporary composition in his music.

In 2009, Steven was selected to attend the prestigious Manhattan School of Music in New York with the support of B.A.E.F. (Belgian American Educational Foundation), to study with Steve Wilson, Jamie Baum, Phil Markowitz, Dave Liebman, Gerard d'Angelo, Justin DiCioccio, Rhoda Levine and Ted Rosenthal.

At MSM Steven worked intensively with pianist Phil Markowitz who shared, amongst other things, his experiences of playing together with the great Michael Brecker, Joe Lovano and Dave Liebman of the saxophone summit.

Next to his school duties, Steven spent time with notable musicians like Jim Black, Chris Cheek, Kenny Wollesen, Eivind Opsvik, Ben Wendel, Tigran Hamasyan, Pascal Niggelkemper, Robin Verheyen, Fliin Van Hemmen, Ben Bryden, Desmond White and Daniel Jodocy.

Past Projects...

Before his trip to the States between 2008 and 2010, Steven was very active with his own trio that released an internationally acclaimed album entitled 'Midnight Suite', on the W.E.R.F-label in Brugge, with Yannick Peeters on bass and Lionel Beuvers on drums. W.E.R.F-label includes internationally

After playing the finals on the International Contest 'Jazz Hoeilaart' in Belgium in 2006, and since their 2008 summer tour in Portugal, supported by the Flemish Government, the Steven Delannoye Trio had the opportunity to perform in numerous venues and clubs throughout the country.

With the release tour for the album 'Midnight Suite' in 2008 they got exposure in the national press and television.

In 2009 a second trio album was recorded in a more experimental mood and is still waiting to be released...

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As a sideman Steven worked with a great variety of musicians:

Eric Vloeimans, Stéphane Belmondo, Dre Pallemmaerts, Nic Thys, Frank Vaganée, Peter Hertmans, Louis Favre, Tuesdaynight Orchestra, Free Breathing Ensemble, salsa music with the MuchoGusto Bigband, and dance met Phusionculture.

Current occupation...

Delannoye tries to divide time equally between practise and composing. In his current projects a lot of attention goes to the composition and the sound of the band.

In the last three years Steven has been working on a solo recording that reflect different emotions and phases of a developing musician.

Here is a list of the 2011 collaborations...

DelvitaGroup www.delvitagroup.com

Egon www.myspace.com/egonmusic

Bright Noise (Schotland) www.myspace.com/brightnoisemusic

Strong & Wrong www.myspace.com/strongandwrong

Reinier Baas Quartet (Nederland) www.myspace.com/reinierbaas

Joao Guimaraes Quartet (Portugal) www.myspace.com/jguimaraes