

# Jazz: Live from New York (Telarc)

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Music loses some of its spontaneity when is trapped in the confines of a recording studio, limited to its dubbing and other technological treats.

Trying to squeeze a musical expression in a tune of three or four minutes span -say the most purists- goes against authenticity.

Well, then came commercial radio and the story is well-known: the music as a mere business. No doubt, music is enjoyed the most when is presented live. "Live from New York" is a double-album that honors its intentions and where the time constraint is not an obstacle.

Taken from previous releases from record label Telarc, "Live from New York" is a fifteen tracks anthology that present the legends of jazz before adoring audience. In

this case, at New York jazz clubs such as Blue Note, the Village Vanguard, Michael's Pub and Iridium.

The first album starts in a very slow tempo and later rousing version of "A Night in Tunisia" from Slide Hampton & the JazzMasters. Panamanian pianist Danilo Pérez delivers some tasty chords with a very impressive horn section led by Roy Hargrove, Jimmy Heath, John Faddis, David Sánchez, Antonio Hart, Claudio Roditi and Steve Turre.

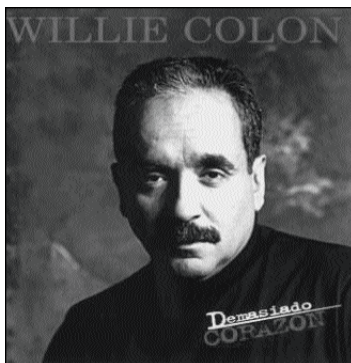
On another track, trombonist Al Grey

drops some bebop flavor with "Diz related" and Dizzy Gillespie himself follows with his "Con alma." Disc two kicks off with mellow interpretation by Dave Brubeck in "Yesterdays" while guitarist Jim Hall takes his turn in the spotlight "Pan-O-Rama," building a beautiful melody in the strings. This double-album also features performances from Oscar Peterson, James Moody, Stephane Grappelli, and many others. Two hours that celebrate the jazz tradition could be a great start by novices and will be appreciated by jazz fans too.

## Willie Colón Does it Again

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Trombonist, singer and Bronx politician Willie Colón is one of those artists unique in its class. After laying the foundations of the salsa movements in the 70s and 80s with his brilliant arranging talent, which helped move forward the careers of such salsa figures like Mon Rivera, Celia Cruz, Héctor Lavoe and Rubén Blades (among others), he managed to pull off a successful solo career.



Considering his limited vocal skills, but always pushing hard to keep his music edge, Colón has done more than well. Unfortunately, not every results lives to his intentions. Demasiado corazón ("To Much Heart") is one of them.

Released in Mexico in 1998 under the record label Azteca, the album received very poor promotion the following year. Now, the Miami-based Líderes has released it under license for the U.S. market. Written as the music theme for a Mexican soap opera in which the Nuyorrican singer plays the role of a drug agent, Demasiado corazón lacks the punch and street savviness of his past records. "Yo sin ti" ("Without You") and "Blanca luna" ("White Moon"), for example, are mere decorations in the repertoire.

Actually, both are opaque and dull. However, the album seems to pick up with Venezuelan Amilcar Boscán's "Cayo Condón," one the of true gems of the CD. Its sensual Venezuelan calypso and hard-driving salsa beat gives Colón ample space to sing with confidence and engaging wit. In "Low Rider," he uses a funk beat to recreate the story of a man obsessed with his car.

Colón continues to show growth and canny ear to spot catchy pop tunes that he's able to turn into salsa songs with mixed results. "Sin ti" (Eros Ramazzotti) and "Contamíname" (Pedro Guerra) are not provocative enough. "Toco madera" (Joan Manuel Serrat) and "Miel" (Caetano Veloso) are, indeed, inviting and, in his peculiar voice, refreshing. Colón is still a master of the genre.

## YOUR HOROSCOPE FOR THE MONTH

**PISCES**  
Feb. 19 -March 20  
Be around other people who can stimulate your creative imagination.  
Your numbers: **8, 10, 33**

**CANCER**  
June 21-July 22  
You are ready to go out and have some fun. Mix business with pleasure.  
Your numbers: **5, 22, 29**

**SCORPIO**  
Oct. 23 -Nov. 21  
You just want to enjoy life. Don't hesitate to get involved in social activities.  
Your numbers: **5, 29, 37**

**ARIES**  
March 21-April 19  
Rewards can be yours if you would only give a little more of your time.  
Your numbers: **2, 3, 13**

**LEO**  
July 23 -Aug. 22  
This is the time to work hard and make yourself indispensable.  
Your numbers: **3, 18, 24**

**CAPRICORN**  
Dec. 22 -Jan. 19  
Take some time out to do things with children. They need your love and support.  
Your numbers: **8, 39, 41**

**TAURUS**  
April 20 -May 20  
You will have to watch your budget very closely in the next few weeks.  
Your numbers: **4, 17, 31**

**VIRGO**  
Aug. 23 -Sept. 22  
Social activities will be a must. Combine work with pleasure.  
Your numbers: **9, 11, 26**

**AQUARIUS**  
Jan. 20 -Feb. 18  
You will inspire those you talk to. This is the time to take a position of leadership.  
Your numbers: **12, 14, 26**

**GEMINI**  
May 21-June 20  
Be careful not to ruffle the feathers of the heavyweights at work.  
Your numbers: **7, 12, 40**

**LIBRA**  
Sept. 23 -Oct. 22  
Past acquaintances are likely to come back into your life.  
Your numbers: **11, 20, 44**

**SAGITTARIUS**  
Nov. 22 -Dec. 21  
Don't let problems while traveling or dealing with relatives cause stress.  
Your numbers: **19, 23, 46**

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## CROSSWORD PUZZLE

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**ACROSS**

- Koch and Asner
- Bag
- Jerry Herman musical
- Mine character
- Fencer's blade
- Forever and \_\_\_\_ (2 wds.)
- Supporter
- Not even one
- Oklahoma native
- Beige
- Printer's measures
- Rich (Sl.)
- Find fault
- "\_\_\_\_, a mouse!"
- One of the

**Gabors**

- Blushing
- Certain nurses (Abbr.)
- Staff symbol
- Sort
- Golf device
- \_\_\_\_ for the mill
- Gathered up
- Household pest
- \_\_\_\_ de toilette
- Pinball reward
- Gush
- Beast
- Employ
- Work for wages
- Semisolid hair pomade
- Mister, in Germany
- "\_\_\_\_ a Lady"
- Salt, in Paris

**DOWN**

- Notable periods
- Dumb bird
- Arty New York district
- Quiet
- Imitators
- 100 years (Abbr.)
- Boiling pots
- Food from above
- Trouble
- Adult male
- Part of a needle
- Hostile power
- Perfect, to NASA(Hyph.)
- Specialty food shop
- Actress Arden et al.
- Insane

- Hat feature
- "Damn Yankees" vamp
- Questions
- Compass pt.
- Becomes slimmer
- Burial place
- Mad Hatter's beverage
- Gathers
- Seamstress
- "\_\_\_\_ Jacques"
- Carries, with effort
- Locale
- Cry loudly
- Quiet!
- Key lime \_\_\_\_
- Go astray
- Cheerleader's yell