

Universal Indians w/ Joe McPhee

Joe McPhee – saxophones/pocket trumpet (US)

John Dikeman – saxophones (US/NL)

Jon Rune Strøm – double bass (NO)

Tollef Østvang – drums (NO)

<http://joemcphree.com/universal-indians.html>

<https://www.facebook.com/universalindians/>

<https://www.tollefostvang.com/project/universal-indians>

Since he emerged on the creative jazz and new music scene in the late '60s and early '70s, Joe McPhee has been an emotional composer, improviser and multi-instrumentalist, as well as a thoughtful conceptualist and theoretician. He is currently a member of Trio X, his own Survival Unit, and has collaborated with well known improvisers like Pauline Oliveros, Peter Brötzmann, Evan Parker and Raymond Boni. He has also guest-appeared with The Thing, Trespass Trio, and Universal Indians among many others. With a career spanning nearly 50 years and over 100 recordings, he continues touring internationally, forging new connections and reach for the music's limits.

Universal Indians is a trio comprised of Amsterdam-based, American saxophonist John Dikeman and the resourceful and powerful rhythm section of Norwegian bassist Jon Rune Strøm and drummer Tollef Østvang. This trio presents its own definition of contemporary freely improvised jazz: muscular, passionate, raw and intense music created on the spot, with no distinct leader and with tight, immediate and supportive interplay. Although informed by formative free jazz artists such as pianist Cecil Taylor, saxophonists John Coltrane, Albert Ayler and Peter Brötzmann, they demonstrate clear, independent voices of their own.

As a quartet they have toured frequently since 2013 and released the live recording «Skullduggery» on Clean Feed. All about gave it 5 stars and had following to say: "Splendid album" (John Sharpe/All About Jazz)

Link to the reviews in All About Jazz and DownBeat:

<http://www1.allaboutjazz.com/skullduggery-universal-indians-clean-feed-records-review-by-john-sharpe.php>

http://www.downbeat.com/digitaledition/2015/DB1511/single_page_view/59.html

Clean Feed:

<https://cleanfeed-records.com/product/skullduggery/>

Link to music:

<https://open.spotify.com/album/0Ou2QSIlgbBvkioFeohPtE?si=f9asT4ZnT6KPkODq58Gaxq>

<https://music.apple.com/no/album/skullduggery/993814568?l=nb>