

Kjetil Husebø - Steps



On the brand new release **Steps**, Kjetil Huseboe directs his artistic focus in a completely different manner than what was the case on his last album- Skyggespill (Shadow play) - Morphing Between Spaces and Phases. Even though the album **Steps** is Huseboe's third piano album, it constitutes his first entirely acoustic endeavour. Thus, it distinguishes itself from Skyggespill (2014) as it does not include any components of composed, electronic music.

The music on **Steps** is improvised og recorded in RainbowStudio in a short December session in 2014. Alone with an outstanding Steinway Grand Piano, Huseboe explores his personal, melodic, abstract, rythmical, playful, meditative music as he has never done before, and one might try to define Huseboe's musical landscape as being on the verge between jazz, contemporary music, classical and folk music. The album was recorded at RainbowStudio with the legendary Jan Erik Kongshaug as master of ceremony. Kongshaug also mixed the album.

On Kjetils earlier albums - Contradictions (2012) and Sources (2013), he combined the utterly complex sound universe of The Grand Piano with his live sampling and electronic wizardry on several tracks. In addition to these two piano albums and the Skyggespill recording, he has released two albums as Optical Substance (Adaptation in 2010 and Sub Luna in 2005), albums on which the music is composed, programmed, produced in collaboration with several guest musicians.

Eyal Hareuveni **All About Jazz** wrote this about the Sources album: "*Norwegian pianist and live sampling master Kjetil Husebø continues to develop his highly personal sonic language (...) Husebø succeeds to redefine a new way of listening to the piano*". And this about the Contradictions album: "*...the success of this album is based on the cumulative effect of his disarming, innocent and highly melodic ambiance, which lingers long after the album has finished. An intriguing musical journey.*"

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