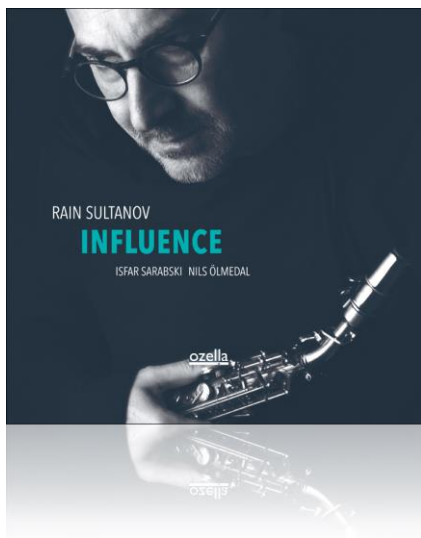


Friends from another dimension

Audio CD

**Rain Sultanov
Influence**

On seven epic ballads, Azerbaijani saxophonist Rain Sultanov pays homage to the musicians that have shaped his style – from Miles and Coltrane to Zawinul and Pastorius. As he explains: "I wanted these pieces to be tributes to those who provided me with new insights, new love, new emotions."

Just as with his previous albums, spontaneity was key to the music on Influence. Although Sultanov had booked the Rainbow Studio in Oslo well ahead of time, he had barely finished half the pieces a few weeks before the recording sessions. The remainder was written "en route to Norway".

The different inspirations blend into a spiritual work which reflects both on Sultanov's influences, himself and something beyond: "I am realistic enough to understand that all of these artists are no longer with us", he says with a pensive smile, "On the other hand, they will always be there for me, maybe just in another dimension. That's something I truly believe in."

Tracklist

1 My John C.	7:50
2 Solaris	5:44
3 I Know, That You'll Never Come Back	8:35
4 Behind The Sky	7:04
5 Simple Things	7:27
6 Morning Flight	7:06
7 I'll Never Forget You Mike	7:00

Music by Rain Sultanov except Track 6
composed by Dagobert Böhm.
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Musicians

RAIN SULTANOV: soprano saxophone
ISFAR SARABSKI: piano
NILS ÖLMEDAL: double bass
Special guest:
DAGOBERT BÖHM: guitar on track #6

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