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PRESENTING Dino Massa Kansas City

Quintet "Echoes of Europe" (ARC2680)

Historically, the stationing of American troops abroad has had a significant and seldomnoted ancillary effect beyond military cooperation: it's brought American musicians into
contact with local players and fostered professional contacts that in some cases endure
for many years. Pianist and composer Dino Massa, from Naples, Italy, probably never
expected to wind up in Kansas City, Missouri to record his original music. But thanks to
his encounter with alto saxophonist and composer Christopher Burnett in 1990, when
Burnett played in the NATO Jazz Band then headquartered in Naples, Massa was
ultimately able to do just that. Echoes of Europe, on the Artists Recording Collective
(ARC) label that Burnett co-founded, is the compelling and long-awaited result. "His
(Massa) music is energetic, expressively melodic, intricate but not overly dense." "His
(Massa) pianism is elegant and forceful, always serving the song." "And his (Massa)
arrangements give generous room to all the players involved." "(Burnett) ... whose warm
and round alto tone is a boon to the entire session." (David R. Adler, New York) "Massa is
known for performances of both classical music and jazz. Burnett is ... a musician whose
compositions flow with modern sophistication." (The Pitch, Kansas City)

Recording Dates: April 24 & 25 2016, C.R. Sound, Kansas City **Artists Home Market:** Kansas City USA and Naples Italy



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DINO MASSA, piano / composer



CHRISTOPHER BURNETT - sax / composer

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Track Listing

- 1. Alone* (6:03) Massa
- 2. Echoes of Europe* (6:32) Massa
- 3. Imagine (6:08) Hampton
- 4. Notos* (6:10) Burnett
- 5. Paris (6:41) Massa
- 6. Remembering (7:16) Massa
- 7. Tarantella* (8:51) Massa

*recommended radio tracks

Musicians: Dino Massa - piano, composition; Christopher Burnett - alto sax, clarinet, composition; Charles Gatschet - guitar; Andrew W. Stinson bass; Clarence Smith - drums; Terri Anderson Burnett - flute; Freda Proctor flute; Marcus Hampton - flugelhorn, composition; Stanton Kessler flugelhorn, trumpet

