

ΘΕΟΔΩΡΟΣ



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Theodoros

Tracklist:

1. Ianouários (03:54)
2. Fevrouários (04:15)
3. Mártios (02:14)
4. Aprílios (01:53)
5. Máios (03:50)
6. Ioúnios (04:11)
7. Ioúlios (03:16)
8. Ávgoustos (02:18)
9. Septémvrios (02:00)
10. Októvrios (03:25)
11. Noémvrios (02:35)
12. Dekémvrios (04:08)

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The pianist and composer Beata Hlavenková, one of the leading personalities of Czech jazz and alternative music scene, releases her new album *Theodoros*, consisting of twelve of her own piano compositions named after the months of the year: the author is also the only interpreter. The album is released more than four years after the release of Beata's highly acclaimed debut album *Joy For Joel* on Animal Music.

Beata Hlavenková on the concept of *Theodoros*: "My first album is named *Joy For Joel* after my first-born son Mathias Joel – amazing guests, big sound and arrangements, music influenced by modern jazz. After the birth of my second son Theodor Eli I had the idea in my head say that my next album will be somehow linked to him. The Greek name Theodoros means "God's gift", like Mathias in Hebrew. When I started to compose I realised that God's gift is life to me. It is formed of years, months, days. It was thus absolutely natural that compositions will be named after the calendar months. Musical circumstances resulting in this album were however different. They are based on the fascination from a song and its simplicity. The opposite pole to the first musical world. *Theodoros* draws from both and absorbs both these paths through my musical perception."

Beata Hlavenková graduated from Janáček's Conservatoire in Ostrava (major in composition) and continued her studies in the USA, at the University of Massachusetts (major in composition, jazz composition and music arrangement). As a long-time co-player with Lenka Dusilová, Beata gradually transformed herself into her main music partner. They often perform as a duo and they were together at the birth of the outstanding project Baromantika; they are also the members of Eternal Seekers. Beata Hlavenková performed in many European as well as overseas countries (Poland, Slovakia, Turkey, Germany, Norway, Switzerland, France, Canada, USA, Costa Rica) and has performed at renowned music festivals (Montreux Jazz Festival, IAJE Conference Toronto, Jazz Festival Regensburg, Afyon Jazz Festival, JazzFest Brno, etc.).

Album *Theodoros* is also released on CD in digitally by Animal Music.

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