

## ALBUMS OF THE YEAR

NIK BÄRTSCH'S RONIN - *Live* (ECM)  
 TIM BERNE - *Snakeoil* (ECM)  
 ORRIN EVANS - *Flip the Script* (Posi-Tone)  
 FLY - *Year of the Snake* (ECM)  
 JOSH GINSBURG - *Zembla Variations* (BJU Records)  
 DARIUS JONES - *Book of Mae'bul: Another Kind of Sunrise* (AUM Fidelity)  
 HAFEZ MODIRZADEH - *Post-Chromodal Out!* (Pi)  
 LINDA OH - *Initial Here* (Greenleaf)  
 GREGORY PORTER - *Be Good* (Motéma)  
 MATT WILSON'S ARTS & CRAFTS - *An Attitude for Gratitude* (Palmetto)  
 -David R. Adler

## BOXED SETS

DOROTHY ASHBY - *The Jazz Harpist* (Regent/Prestige/  
 New Jazz/Argo/Jazzland - Fresh Sound)  
 ICP ORCHESTRA - *45 Years* (ICP)  
 CHARLES MINGUS - *The Jazz Workshop Concerts 1964-65*  
 (Mosaic)  
 THELONIOUS MONK QUARTET - *The Complete Columbia*  
*Studio Albums Collection* (Columbia-Legacy)  
 WILLIAM PARKER - *Centering (Unreleased Early Recordings*  
*1976-1987)* (NoBusiness)

## REISSUES

BILL BARRON - *The Tenor Stylings of Bill Barron/  
 Modern Windows/Hot Line* (Savoy-Fresh Sound)  
 CHRIS MCGREGOR - *In His Good Time* (Ogun)  
 ALBERT MANGELSDORFF - *Now Jazz Ramwong*  
 (CBS-Jazzhus Disk)  
 HAL RUSSELL - *NRG Ensemble* (Nessa)  
 HEINER STADLER - *Brains on Fire* (Labor)

## TRIBUTES

FRED HO & QUINCY SAUL - *Present The Music of*  
*Cal Massey (A Tribute)* (Mutable/Big Red Media)  
 SIMON NABATOV - *Spinning Songs of Herbie Nichols* (Leo)  
 TERI ROIGER - *Dear Abbey* (Inner Circle)  
 SPECTRUM ROAD - *Eponymous* (Palmetto)  
 THE WHAMMIES - *Play the Music of Steve Lacy* (Driff)

TIM BERNE - *Snakeoil* (ECM)  
 KELAN PHILIP COHRAN & THE HYPNOTIC BRASS  
 ENSEMBLE - *Eponymous* (Honest Jon's)  
 DR. JOHN - *Locked Down* (Nonesuch)  
 BILLY HART QUARTET - *All Our Reasons* (ECM)  
 DAVE KING - *I'll Be Ringing You* (Sunnyside)  
 BILL LASWELL - *Means of Deliverance* (Innerhythmic)  
 HAFEZ MODIRZADEH - *Post-Chromodal Out!* (Pi)  
 SAM NEWSOME - *The Art of the Soprano, Vol. 1* (s/r)  
 SAM RIVERS/DAVE HOLLAND/BARRY ALTSCHUL -  
*Reunion: Live in New York* (Pi)  
 JESPER ZEUTHEN - *PLUS* (Barefoot)  
 -Laurence Donohue-Greene

## UNEARTHED GEMS

THE JAZZ COURIERS - *Tippin' (Live in Morecambe 1959)*  
 (Gearbox)  
 SHEILA JORDAN/HARVIE S - *Yesterdays* (HighNote)  
 ALBERT MANGELSDORFF QUINTET -  
*Legends Live: Audimax Freiburg (June 22, 1964)* (Jazzhaus)  
 PAT MARTINO - *Alone Together (with Bobby Rose)* (HighNote)  
 WES MONTGOMERY - *Echoes of Indiana Avenue* (Resonance)

## LARGE ENSEMBLE RELEASES

THE AARDVARK JAZZ ORCHESTRA - *Evocations* (Leo)  
 FRED HO & QUINCY SAUL - *Present The Music of Cal*  
*Massey (A Tribute)* (Mutable/Big Red Media)  
 THE RESONANCE ENSEMBLE -  
*What Country is This?* (Not Two)  
 RYAN TRUESDELL/GIL EVANS PROJECT - *Centennial:*  
*Newly Discovered Works of Gil Evans* (ArtistShare)  
 ZANUSSI THIRTEEN - *Live* (Moserobie)

## LATIN RELEASES

EDMAR CASTAÑEDA - *Double Portion* (Arpa Y Voz Prod.)  
 GONZALO RUBALCABA - *XXI Century* (5Passion)  
 BOBBY SANABRIA BIG BAND - *Multiverse* (Jazzheads)  
 PONCHO SANCHEZ AND HIS LATIN JAZZ BAND -  
*Live in Hollywood* (Concord Picante)  
 PAPO VAZQUEZ MIGHTY PIRATES TROUBADOURS -  
*Oasis* (Picaro)

RODRIGO AMADO MOTION TRIO & JEB BISHOP -  
*Burning Live at Jazz ao Centro* (JACC)  
 NIK BÄRTSCH'S RONIN - *Live* (ECM)  
 JACOB GARCHIK - *The Heavens* (Yestereve)  
 GRASS ROOTS - *Eponymous* (AUM Fidelity)  
 FRED HO & THE SAXOPHONE LIBERATION FRONT -  
*Snake-Eaters* (Big Red Media-Mutable)  
 BILL LASWELL - *Means of Deliverance* (Innerhythmic)  
 AARON NOVIK - *Secrets of Secrets* (Tzadik)  
 THE THING (WITH BARRY GUY) - *Metal!* (NoBusiness)  
 ZANUSSI THIRTEEN - *Live* (Moserobie)  
 ZÜRHHORN - *Wanderlust* (Unit)  
 -Andrey Henkin

## DEBUTS

JOHNATHAN BLAKE - *The Eleventh Hour* (Sunnyside)  
 GRASS ROOTS - *Eponymous* (AUM Fidelity)  
 DEVIN GRAY - *Dirigo Rataplan* (Skirl)  
 TYLER MITCHELL - *Live at Smalls* (smallsLIVE)  
 SPECTRUM ROAD - *Eponymous* (Palmetto)

## VOCAL RELEASES

RAN BLAKE/CHRISTINE CORREA - *Down Here Below*  
*(Tribute to Abbey Lincoln Vol. One)* (Red Piano)  
 KATJA CRUZ/HOWARD CURTIS - *Lightning & Thunder*  
 (Ein Klang)  
 DR. JOHN - *Locked Down* (Nonesuch)  
 DENA DEROSE - *Travelin' Light* (MAXJAZZ)  
 LUCIANA SOUZA - *The Book of Chet* (Sunnyside)

## BOOKS

*Mr. P.C.: The Life and Music of Paul Chambers* (Equinox)  
*Miles Davis: The Complete Illustrated History*  
 (Voyageur Press)  
*Shall We Play That One Together?: The Life and Art of Jazz*  
*Piano Legend Marian McPartland* (St. Martin's Press)  
*Herbie Hancock and The Mwandishi Band: You'll Know*  
*When You Get There* (University of Chicago Press)  
*Always in Trouble: An Oral History of ESP-DISK',*  
*The Most Outrageous Record Label in America*  
 (Wesleyan University Press)

## HONORABLE MENTIONS

Juhani Aaltonen/Heikki Sarmanto - *Conversations* (TUM) • Rez Abbasi - *Continuous Beat* (Enja) • JD Allen - *The Matador and the Bull* (Savant) • Jacob A  
 AYCH - *Eponymous* (Relative Pitch) • Duck Baker Trio - *Amnesia In Trastevere* (Les Cousins) • Han Bennink Trio - *Bennink # Co.* (ILK Music) •  
 Ted Brown/Kirk Knuffke - *Pound Cake* (SteepleChase) • John Butcher - *Bell Trove Spools* (Northern-Spy) • John Butcher/Guillaume Vil  
 Brian Charette - *Music for Organ Sextette* (SteepleChase) • Chicago Trio - *Velvet Songs: To Baba Fred Anderson* (Rogue Art) • Anat Cohen - *Clarosc  
 Chick Corea/Eddie Gomez/Paul Motian - Further Explorations* (Concord) • Marilyn Crispell/Gerry Hemingway - *Affinities* (Intakt) •  
 Jeff Davis - *Leaf House* (Fresh Sound-New Talent) • Scott Dubois - *Landscape Scripture* (Sunnyside) • Paul Dunmall/Tony Bianco - *Thank You To Joh  
 Joe Fiedler - Big Sackbut* (Yellow Sound) • Foxes Fox - *Live at the Vortex* (psi) • Nobuyasu Furuya Quintet - *Agitator Naka Naka*  
 Dennis Gonzalez Yells at Eels - *Resurrection and Life* (Ayler) • Craig Green/Dave King - *Moontower* (Long Song) • Ulrich Gumper  
 Ig Henneman Sextet - *Live @ The Ironworks, Vancouver* (Wig) • Steve Horowitz - *New Monsters* (Posi-Tone) • François Houle 5 + 1 - *Genera* (Songlines) • Danie  
 Vijay Iyer Trio - *Accelerando* (ACT Music) • Ahmad Jamal - *Blue Moon (The New York Session)* (Jazz Village) • Kidd Jordan/Joel Futterman/William Parker/  
 Frank Kimbrough Trio - *Live at Kitano* (Palmetto) • Lee Konitz - *KnowingLee* (Out Note) • David Krakauer - *Pruf  
 Andrew Lamb - *Rhapsody in Black* (NoBusiness) • Greg Lewis Organ Monk - *Uwo in the Black* (s/r) • Living By Lanterns - *New Myth/Old*  
 Jesper Løvdal/Günter Baby Sommer - *Eponymous* (ILK Music) • Paul Lytton/Nate Wooley + Ikue Mori and Ken Vandermark - *The N  
 Brad Mehldau Trio - *Where Do You Start* (Nonesuch) • Liudas Mockunas/Barry Guy - *Lava* (NoBusiness) • Simon Nabatov/Nils Wog  
 Evan Parker/John Edwards/Eddie Prévost - *Meetings with Remarkable Saxophonists, Vol. 1* (Matchless) • Evan P  
 Bucky Pizzarelli - *Challis in Wonderland* (Arbors) • Tom Rainey Trio - *Camino Cielo Echo* (Intakt) • RED Trio + Nate Wooley - *Ste  
 Stephen Riley - *Hart-Beat* (SteepleChase) • Jason Robinson - *Tiresian Symmetry* (Cuneiform) • Scott Robinson Doctette - *Bronze Nemes  
 Irène Schweizer - *To Whom It May Concern* (Piano Solo Tonhalle Zurich) (Intakt) • Matthew Shipp Trio - *Elastic Aspects* (Thirsty Ear) • Wadada Leo Sn  
 Richard Tabnik Trio - *Symphony for Jazz Trio* (New Artists) • Natsuki Tamura/Satoko Fujii - *Muku* (Libra) • Laura Toxvaerd/Jacob Anderskov  
 David Virelles - *Continuum* (Pi) • Planetary Unknown - *Live at Jazzfestival Saalfelden 2011* (AUM Fidelity) • Trevor Watts/Veryan Weston - *Dialogues in Two Places*****

## CONCERTS OF THE YEAR

### STEPHAN CRUMP'S ROSETTA TRIO

Jamie Fox, Liberty Ellman  
Winter Jazzfest, The Bitter End, January 7th

### JEFF "TAIN" WATTS QUARTET

David Kikoski, Marcus Strickland, Orlando Le Fleming  
Village Vanguard, February 4th

### MATT WILSON'S ARTS & CRAFTS

Terrell Stafford, Gary Versace, Martin Wind, Kurt Elling  
Dizzy's Club, March 3rd

### BILLY HART QUARTET

Ethan Iverson, Mark Turner, Ben Street  
Birdland, April 7th

### CRAIG TABORN TRIO

Thomas Morgan, Gerald Cleaver  
Village Vanguard, April 7th

### AMIR ELSAFFAR QUINTET

Tony Malaby, John Escreet, François Moutin, Dan Weiss  
The Jazz Gallery, May 4th

### ROUND ROBIN DUETS

Undead Jazz Festival, 92Y Tribeca, May 12th

### LIONEL LOUEKE GROUP

Derrick Hodge, Mark Guiliana, Robert Glasper  
Blue Note, September 5th

### HERBIE NICHOLS PROJECT

Frank Kimbrough, Ben Allison, Michael Blake,  
Ted Nash, Ron Horton, Michael Sarin  
Jazz Standard, November 12th

### SHEILA JORDAN/STEVE KUHN

Blue Note, November 19th

-David R. Adler

### SUMMIT TRIO

Scott Robinson, Gene Bertoncini, Jonathan Batiste  
Rubin Museum's "Harlem in the Himalayas", January 20th

### IRÈNE SCHWEIZER/PIERRE FAVRE

Intakt Records Festival, The Stone, March 10th

### HAROLD MABERN TRIO

John Webber, Louis Hayes  
Smoke, March 23rd

### HUGH MASEKELA/LARRY WILLIS

Jazz Standard, May 1st

### GERALD CLEAVER BLACK HOST

Darius Jones, Brandon Seabrook, Cooper-Moore, Pascal Niggenkemper  
Undead Jazz Festival, Sullivan Hall, May 9th

### BARRY HARRIS QUARTET

Charles Davis, Ray Drummond, Leroy Williams  
Harlem Jazz Shrines Festival, Minton's Playhouse, May 11th

### THE THING WITH JOE MCPHEE

Mats Gustafsson, Ingebrigt Håker Flaten, Paal Nilssen-Love  
Vision Festival, Roulette, June 13th

### TERJE RYPDAL QUARTET

Palle Mikkelborg, Ståle Storløkken, Paolo Vinacci  
Le Poisson Rouge, June 27th

### ERNIE ANDREWS

Houston Person, Bill Charlap,  
Peter Washington, Kenny Washington  
92nd St.Y's "Jazz in July", July 17th

### BOBBY MCFERRIN

WITH JAZZ AT LINCOLN CENTER ORCHESTRA  
Allen Room, September 14th

-Laurence Donohue-Greene

### PETER EVANS QUARTET

Carlos Homs, Tom Blancarte, Jim Black  
Cornelia Street Café, January 17th

### MARTY EHRLICH, MARY HALVORSON, TOMAS FUJIWARA

Ibeam Brooklyn, January 19th

### MARK FELDMAN/PIERRE FAVRE

Intakt Records Festival, The Stone, March 8th

### BB&C

Tim Berne, Jim Black, Nels Cline  
ShapeShifter Lab, May 7th

### THE THING WITH JOE MCPHEE

Mats Gustafsson, Ingebrigt Håker Flaten, Paal Nilssen-Love  
Vision Festival, Roulette, June 13th

### TERJE RYPDAL QUARTET

Palle Mikkelborg, Ståle Storløkken, Paolo Vinacci  
Le Poisson Rouge, June 27th

### THINK SHADOW: SEAN CONLY/MICHAËL ATTIAS

Ibeam Brooklyn, October 10th

### NIK BÄRTSCH'S RONIN

Sha, Thomy Jordi, Kaspar Rast  
Le Poisson Rouge, October 22nd

### CACTUS TRUCK

John Dikeman, Jasper Stadhouders, Onno Govaert  
Zebulon, November 1st

### DAVE LIEBMAN QUINTET

Ellery Eskelin, Sam Newsome, Chris Tordini, Jim Black  
Cornelia Street Café, November 24th

-Andrey Henkin

## MUSICIANS OF THE YEAR

TIM BERNE (saxophone)

JACK DEJOHNETTE (drums)

BILLY HART (drums)

JON IRABAGON (saxophone)

WADADA LEO SMITH (trumpet)

## LABELS OF THE YEAR

CLEAN FEED (cleanfeed-records.com)

DELMARK (delmark.com)

ECM (ecmrecords.com)

JAZZHUS DISK

NOBUSINESS (nobusinessrecords.com)

## VENUES OF THE YEAR

CORNELIA STREET CAFÉ (West Village)

IBEAM BROOKLYN (Gowanus)

JAZZ STANDARD (Midtown)

SHAPESHIFTER LAB (Gowanus)

SMOKE (Upper West Side/Harlem)

## CDs - NEW RELEASES

Anderskov - *Granular Alchemy* (ILK Music) • Ray Anderson Pocket Brass Band - *Sweet Chicago Suite* (Intuition) • Michaël Attias - *Spun Tree* (Clean Feed)  
Josh Berman & His Gang - *There Now* (Delmark) • Jeb Bishop/Jorrit Dijkstra - *1000 Words* (Driff) • Peter Brötzmann - *Solo + Trio Roma* (Victo)  
Eard/Eddie Prevost - *All But: Meetings with Remarkable Saxophonists, Vol. 2* (Matchless) • John Butcher/Mark Sanders - *Daylight* (Emanem)  
Curo (Anzic) • Avishai Cohen - *Triveni II* (Anzic) • Sean Conly/Michaël Attias - *Think Shadow* (OutNow) • The Cookers - *Believe* (Motéma Music)  
• Marilyn Crispell/Mark Dresser/Gerry Hemingway - *Play Braxton* (Tzadik) • Carsten Dahl Experience - *Metamorphosis* (Storyville)  
an Coltrane (SLAM) • Harris Eisenstadt - *Canada Day III* (Songlines) • Agustí Fernández - *Pianoactivity|One* (Sirulita) • FFEAR - *Mirage* (Jazzheads)  
ane (Solid) • Charles Gayle Trio - *Streets* (Northern-Spy) • David Gilmore - *Numerology (Live at Jazz Standard)* (Evolutionary Music)  
t/Günter "Baby" Sommer - *La Paloma* (Intakt) • Tom Harrell - *Number Five* (HighNote) • Werner Hasler - *The Outer String* (Unit)  
l Humair - *Sweet & Sour* (Laborie Jazz) • Jason Kao Hwang - *Burning Bridge* (Innova) • Ircha-Mikolaj Trzaska Clarinet Quartet - *Watching Edvard* (Kilogram)  
Alvin Fielder - *Live at the Guelph Jazz Festival* (Creative Collective) • David Kikoski - *Consequences* (Criss Cross) • Masabumi Kikuchi Trio - *Sunrise* (ECM)  
s (Tzadik) • Yoni Kretzmer 2Bass Quartet - *Weight* (OutNow) • Ralph Lalama BopJuice - *Live at Smalls* (smallsLIVE)  
Science (Cuneiform) • Fred Lonberg-Holm's Fast Citizens - *Gather* (Delmark) • Russ Lossing - *Drum Music (Music of Paul Motian)* (Sunnyside)  
News (Clean Feed) • Bill McHenry - *La Peur Du Vide* (Sunnyside) • Joe McPhee/Ingebrigt Håker Flaten - *Brooklyn DNA* (Clean Feed)  
gram/Tom Rainey - *Nawora* (Leo) • Ted Nash - *The Creep* (Plastic Sax) • Evan Parker/Georg Graewe - *Dortmund Variations* (Nuscope)  
arker/Okkyung Lee/Peter Evans - *The Bleeding Edge* (psi) • Stefan Pasborg - *Free Moby Dick* (ILK Music)  
m (Clean Feed) • Mike Reed's People Places & Things - *Clean on the Corner* (482 Music) • Eric Revis' 11:11 - *Parallax* (Clean Feed)  
is (Doc-Tone) • Ned Rothenberg - *World of Odd Harmonics* (Tzadik) • Alexander von Schlippenbach - *Plays Monk (solo piano)* (Intakt)  
ith/Louis Moholo-Moholo - *Ancestors* (TUM) • Gary Smulyan - *Smul's Paradise* (Capri) • Jesse Stacken - *Bagatelles for Trio* (Fresh Sound-New Talent)  
v - *Phone Book* (ILK Music) • Trio M - *The Guest House* (Enja) • Gebhard Ullmann/Jürgen Kupke/Michael Thieke - *The Clarinet Trio: 4* (Leo)  
s (Hi4Head) • Veryan Weston/Ingrid Laubrock/Hannah Marshall - *Haste* (Emanem) • Nate Wooley/Christian Weber/Paul Lytton - *Six Feet Under* (NoBusiness)