

Dave Scott

Dave Scott is an award winning composer and trumpet player with a wide range of professional experience who has worked with some of the greatest jazz artists in the world.

Currently residing in New York, Dave has been composing for and performing with his own jazz quintet and in addition a new project featuring violin, piano, guitar, bass and drums. He is recognized in the New York jazz community as a prolific composer and his groups feature his compositions exclusively. The compositions reflect both specific forms with dense harmonic structures and open frameworks for free improvisation. The focus of both ensembles is to utilize the engaging and often complex compositions as vehicles for improvisation. The pieces develop interactively and organically allowing each musician full individual expression. The quintet released "Song For Amy" on the SteepleChase label in 2004. A second disc for SteepleChase, "Naivete" was released in February of 2007. The first disc received critical acclaim in JazzTimes in 2005 and the second in the Jazz Review 2007. A third disc was recorded in December of 2007 and will be released in the near future. Dave also co-leads a quartet with tenor saxophonist Tony Malaby. The group has a CD released on the Nine Winds label. Many of Dave's original works are featured on this release as well. All three groups perform regularly in the New York City area, and on the Los Angeles County Museum of Art concert series. Other performances include the Texas Jazz Festival, the Earshot Jazz Festival in Seattle, and extensive tours throughout Arizona, California, New Mexico, Oregon, Texas, Utah, Washington and Vancouver, B.C. Dave is also a fine pianist and was most recently featured as a piano soloist on the Kim Richmond/Clay Jenkins Ensemble's latest release "RANGE". He has also been featured as a trumpet soloist on Kim Richmond's current big band CD "PASSAGES". He has also toured and recorded as a featured soloist with the Jim Widner Big Band. As a clinician and soloist Dave has performed on numerous jazz festivals and at schools across the United States including the University of Illinois, the University of Missouri, the University of Texas at Austin, Arizona State University, the University of Oregon, California Institute of the Arts, Syracuse University and the University of Utah. He has been featured at the Newport Jazz Festival with Gerry Mulligan, at the Monterey Jazz Festival with Harvey Wainapel's Quintet (also featuring Dave's compositions), and recently performed with the Tom Harrell Big Band in Los Angeles and New York.

As a big band/large ensemble composer Dave has performed his music as a guest artist at many schools across the United States, including the University of Southern Mississippi, Washington University and the University of Oregon. His first major big band work "Hypervigilance" (also recorded with the quintet as a small group piece) was performed on numerous occasions by the Kim Richmond Concert Jazz Orchestra in Los Angeles.

*Dave Scott is an endorsing artist for Conn-Selmer, Inc. and plays a **Bach** trumpet.*

