

Lee Konitz New Quartet - Live at the Village (2010)

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01. Cherokee [play](#) 02. Subconscious-Lee 03. I Remember You 04. Polka Dots and Moonbeams 05. Color 06. Kary's Trance 07. Thingin' Personnel:
Lee Konitz (alto saxophone); Florian Weber (piano); Jeff Denson (bass); Ziv Ravitz (drums).
The Village Vanguard (03/31/2009/04/01/2009).

JazzTimes - "While his alto still has a dry, cool sound, his tone is now more vocal, personal and expressive. It all makes for revelatory, surprising renditions of repertoire he's been improvising on throughout his life."

"Considered one of the driving forces of jazz, American jazz composer and alto saxophonist Lee Konitz is able to erase context and preconceptions, and more or less blow your mind." --
New York Times

This may be one of Lee Konitz's most enjoyable albums. The trio Minsarah (Florian Weber, piano; Jeff Denson, bass; Ziv Ravitz, drums) provides an ideal match for the veteran alto saxman. And this fine international trio has several opportunities to stretch out on its own in appealing fashion when Konitz sits out. Konitz himself sounds particularly inspired, and his cool, dry, rather unique sound, while certainly not dominating the proceedings, is the clinching factor in my 5-star rating. This is clearly a group effort, however, and everything works wonderfully. Varied metres and time-elasticity adds to the listener's interest. There's just enough audience noise included to remind you that it's a live recording.

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