Stan Getz – Diz and Getz (1954)

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01. It Don't Mean A Thing (If It Ain't Got That Swing) 02. I Let A Song Go Out Of My Heart 03. Exactly Like You 04. It's The Talk Of The Town 05. Improptu 06. One Alone 07. Girl Of My Dreams 08. Siboney (Part I) 09. Siboney (Part II) Muzycy: Dizzy Gillespie (trumpet); Stan Getz (sax tenor); Hank Mobley (sax tenor); Herb Ellis (guitar); Oscar Peterson (piano); Wade Legge (piano); Ray Brown (bass); Lou Hackney (bass); Charlie Persip (drums); Max Roach (drums).

This is a classic recording. One that should be heard by all jazz fans. The ignorant notion that Stan Getz got wiped out by Dizzy is preposterous. Both musicians play their hearts out. Of course Dizzy plays great here - he was at the top of his game. But Stan TOTALLY keeps up with Diz. One wishes that the producers/engineers hadn't made Diz play with the cup mute so much. Listen to Stan's amazing facility, clean articulation, and fleet fingers on the incredibly up-tempo "Don't Mean A Thing." Stan also plays beautifully on the ballad "Talk of the Town". For top musicians like these two, it was all about furthering the music. The game of "who won the jazz boxing match" is left to half informed non-musicians who don't know how difficult it is to play on the level of these two superb gentlemen. --- Keep It Real, amazon.com

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