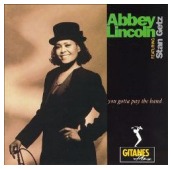
Abbey Lincoln feat. Stan Getz - You Gotta Pay The Band (1991)



1. Bird Alone 2. I'm in Love 3. You Gotta Pay the Band 4. Brother, Can You Spare a Dime? 5. You Made Me Funny 6. And How I Hoped for Your Love 7. When I'm Called Home 8. Summer Wishes, Winter Dreams 9. Up Jumped Spring 10. A Time for Love Abbey Lincoln - vocals Stan Getz - tenor saxophone Hank Jones - piano Charlie Haden - bass Mark Johnson - drums Maxine Roach – viola

Stan Getz is featured on one of his final recordings on this excellent Abbey Lincoln CD; Getz's cool tenor fits in very well with Lincoln's voice, making one wish that they had met up previously. With pianist Hank Jones, bassist Charlie Haden, drummer Mark Johnson, and (on two songs) Maxine Roach's viola completing the group, it is not surprising that Lincoln sounds typically inspired. Actually, her version of "Brother, Can You Spare a Dime?" is a bit of a misfire with its dated lyrics (which should have been modified and altered to fit a female). However, "Bird Alone," Freddie Hubbard's "Up Jumped Spring" (given lyrics by Lincoln), and five of her originals more than compensate. Recommended. ---Scott Yanow, Rovi

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