Bob Mintzer - Departure (1993)



1. Dialogue 2. Big Show 3. My Foolish Heart play 4. Freedomland 5. Joshua 6. Horns Alone play 7. Sunset 8. Children's Song 9. Meeting of the Minds 10. Medley: Vision/City of Hope
Personnel: Bob Mintzer (flute, saxophone); Pete Yellin, Roger Rosenberg, Lawrence Feldman, Bob Malach (flute, saxophone); Marvin Stamm, Tim Hagans, Laurie Frink, Bob Millikan, Michael Mossman (trumpet, flugelhorn); Dave Bargeron, Michael Davis, Keith O'Quinn (trombone); Phil Markowitz (piano); Michael Formanek (acoustic bass); Lincoln Goines (electric bass); Peter Erskine, John Riley (drums); Sammy Figueroa (percussion).

Saxophonist Bob Mintzer is a twenty year member of the Grammy award winning Yellowjackets who also leads a Grammy winning Big Band, travels with his own Quartet, and plays with numerous bands globally.

A respected educator, Bob is the recipient of the Buzz McCoy endowed chair of jazz studies at the University of Southern California in Los Angeles. Based in Los Angeles, Bob continues to conduct clinics and workshops worldwide. He has also written nearly twenty books which are an important part of the curriculum of Jazz education worldwide.

Bob writes for orchestra, concert band and big band, with over two hundred charts to his credit. His big band music is performed by groups all over the planet. Bob honed his big band writing and playing skills in the bands of Tito Puente, Buddy Rich and Thad Jones-Mel Lewis.

He has also written works for the National Symphony Orchestra, Metropole Orchestra of the Netherlands. WDR Big band in Cologne, HR Big Band in Frankfurt, and was commissioned to

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write a piece for concert band and tenor sax ("Go") by a consortium of 50 universities.

As an instrumentalist Bob has worked with Art Blakey, Jaco Pastorius, Sam Jones, Randy Brecker, Gil Evans, the Yellowjackets, GRP All Star Big Band, Mike Manieri, and The New York Philharmonic, to name a few. He has done session work for James Taylor, Steve Winwood, Queen, Donald Fagan, Milton Nascimento, and countless others. ---bobmintzer.com/

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