

Mike

NOT YOUR TYPICAL JAZZ ARTIST.

On tour with David Bowie since 1979

Recorded with Nine Inch Nails & Smashing Pumpkins

Composed film score for *Stigmata*

Composes sonatas, nocturnes, ballads and concertos in real-time

From Beethoven to Bowie, Nine Inch Nails to No Doubt, piano keyboards to computer keyboards, the Juilliard-educated Mike Garson is known around the world for his versatility and virtuosity on piano. A modern "Renaissance Man," Garson pushes the bounds of his art, continually experimenting with new ways through which he can communicate his humanistic ideals. No artistic medium is off-limits to this avant-garde individual.

On tour with Nnenna Freelon and Harolyn Blackwell in "Dreaming The Duke," Garson is the Musical Director in this exciting "jazz meets classical" program featuring the works of Duke Ellington. A prolific musician, Garson helps the vocalists pay homage to a prolific legend!

A prolific musician himself, Garson has composed over several thousand pieces of music and is praised for his exceptional improvisational abilities. In fact, Garson is now considered one of the greatest musical improvisers of his era.

On the heels of a new release, Garson is available:

- in "Dreaming the Duke" with Nnenna Freelon and Harolyn Blackwell
- as a solo pianist
- with his trio
- for educational workshops and residencies

While many artists prefer to remain within one genre, Garson remains open to artistic expression in any format. "If I am truly passionate about what I do, that feeling can inspire people who receive my art," Garson believes. "As a musician I'm not concerned with whether I play jazz, rock, classical, or pop so long as it's creative." Garson is regarded in the industry as one of the very few 'rock' pianists capable of performing extended piano solos, as well as the Pop music world's "got-to-have" pianist. He remains one of the most highly sought-after session musicians with a unique sound of his own which others wish to utilize for their own projects, including **Natalie Imbruglia**, **Seal**, **No Doubt**, and even the **L.A. Philharmonic**.

Find out more on Mike Garson at www.edkeane.com and www.mikegarson.com

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Garson



Quotes

"He is exceptional... He's far and away the best [pianist] I've ever worked with."

David Bowie

"He speaks with emotion in his hands. Melody, harmony, and rhythm get churned into Garsonian spread with wild and extraordinary spices."

Chick Corea

"Garson has a dry wit, is an excellent writer, exciting soloist, and he comps sympathetically, listening to his sidemen, answering their phrases."

LA Music Critic Harvey Siders

"He displays a thorough knowledge of the classical giants, a thorough knowledge of the elusive art of improvisation. He brings all of these elements into a new light through his personal, unique vision."

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