



Niels Wilhelm Knudsen Quintet

The spring of 2016 sees the release of the third album by Niels Wilhelm Knudsen, entitled **'ABANDONED PLACES'**. Like his previous releases it is made up of original compositions, in a style that can be referred to as **MODERN MAINSTREAM JAZZ**.

Guitarist **GILAD HEKSELMAN**, born in Israel but currently living in New York, is featured on the album. A good handful of tunes from 'Abandoned Places' has found their way into the repertoire of the working Quintet.

Seeing the Niels Wilhelm Knudsen Quintet perform live, you can expect to see energetic musicians, each a virtuoso on his instrument, who enjoy playing together, making entertaining music and giving a riveting show.

Bandleader and **BASSIST** Niels Wilhelm Knudsen has been keeping to the Jazz underground for years, but is now stepping forward with his own releases. In 2014 he was nominated for a **DANISH MUSIC AWARD** as New Jazz Artist of the Year with the the debut album **'MOHAWK'**. Several tracks from 'Mohawk' have been in heavy rotation on Danish National Radio, and are still being played after two years. 2015 saw the release of **'SONORITY'** with the same band, and now the third release is ready, this time with a new line-up.

Niels Wilhelm Knudsen is active in a host of jazz groups including King Size Bigband, and also a permanent member of Lasse Matthiessens group, a songwriter with whom he has recorded and toured extensively.

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