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D. ELLINGTON/C. BASIE . BATTLE ROYAL

TWENTY YEARS AGO ON MAY 24TH 1974, EDWARD KENNEDY ELLINGTON, BETTER KNOWN AS "DUKE" DIED. THIS GREAT COMPOSER, PLANIET AND BANDLEADER, WHO WITH HIS MUSICAL GENIUS, COMPLETELY CHANGED THE WORLD OF RUSIC. THE "DUKE" WAS PRIET OF ALL AN EXTRAORDIMARRY TALENTED COMPOSER AND IT IS POR THIS REASON WE HAVE DECIDED TO REMEMBER HIM THROUGH A SERIES OF INSTORME INTERPRETATIONS OF SOME OF HIS FLAMOUS COMPOSITIONS, PERFORMED BY MUSICIANS OF VARIOUS AGES AND STYLES. HIS SLEGANT AND COLOURPUL COMPOSITIONS, HAVE, OVER THE YEARS, SEEN PLAYED BY THE MOST FAMOUS MUSICIANS OF ALL TIME. THESE WORKS PEATURE IN THE REPERTORS SELECTION FROM MOST JAZZ ARTISTS AND NO PROGRAMME IS COMPLETS WITHOUT A PIECE WRITTEN BY THE "DUKE", IN THIS TRIBUTS TO CHE OF THE GREATEST COMPOSERS OF OUR CENTURY, WE FIND THE "CLASSICS" OF ELLINGTON'S REPERTORS REARRANGED AND PERFORMED BY WONDERPUL MUSICIANS FROM THE PAST, SUCH AS STAN GETZ, ERROLL GARNER, CHARLES MINGUS, BILLIE HOLIDAY, DAVE BRUSECK AND WEATHER REPORT, TO THE MUSICIANS OF TODAY, WYNTON MARSALIS, TRENCE BLANCHARD AND HARRY CONNICK JR. THESE INCREDIBLE MUSICIANS, RESPECTING ELLINGTON'S ORIGINAL ARRANGEMENTS AND ORCHESTRATIONS, ADD SOMETHING PERFORM. IN THEIR REPORTIONS: THE LOVER OF DUKE", THE RESPECT AND DEEP ADMIRATION, POLLOWED BY A TOUCHED MEMORY OF THE "MARSTON". THESE RECORDINGS TESTEY THE ACTUALITY OF ELLINGTON'S MUSIC AND CONFIRM THE FAMOUS DUKE'S SENTITING "... IT DON'T MEAN A THING IS IT AIN'T GOT THAT SWING!". THARKS, DUKE!

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