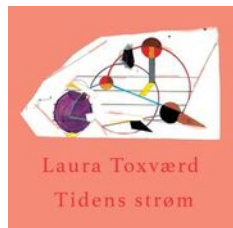


LAURA TOXVÆRD: Tidens strøm & Drapery + Songbook

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DownBeat, Febr. 2019: "Prominent players [in Copenhagen] making a global impact include saxophonist Laura Toxværd, percussionist Marilyn Mazur, trumpeter Palle Mikkelborg, guitarist Jakob Bro and drummer Kresten Osgood"

Laura Toxværd (b. 1977) is a composer, saxophonist and author of the art book «Compositions - 18 Graphic Scores» (Forlaget Spring, Hellerup). She has been awarded the prestigious three-year working scholarship by the Danish Arts Foundation. Scores are published by Edition S and in the anthology «Notations21» (Mark Batty, NYC). Compositions are released worldwide on 12 audio albums and performed in Europe and North America, a.o. in Chicago and NY.

Release event at Klub Primi, H15 Scene, Halmtorvet 15, Kødbyen, Cph, concert with Marilyn Mazur, drums; Peter Friis Nielsen, electric bass; Laura Toxværd, alto saxophone + special guest Julie Kjær, saxophones:

12 November 2019 20:30 (doors open 19:30)

Tidens strøm (ILK292LP) is a studio recording of songs composed by Laura Toxværd. The lyrics are also written by her and bring elements from N.F.S. Grundtvig's poem «Nyaars-Morgen» into play. Both inspiration from the Swedish songwriter Bellman and the American free-jazz saxophonist Albert Ayler mixed a linguistic interest in existence, nature and folk culture in the 19th century Norden had an impact on the making of music.

Line-up: Maria Laurette Friis – vocal, Laura Toxværd – alto sax, Kristian Tangvik – tuba, Kalle Moberg – accordeon, Kresten Osgood – drums

Drapery (ILK293LP) is a recording of graphic notated songs by Laura Toxværd. The album is a mix of improvisation and composition. About her compositional process she explains: «Sometimes I need something abstract and improvisational, and then I like to design a graphic score where I note this to the musicians. Other times, I see the need for something that has more to do with tones, harmonies and rhythms, and then I note it on music paper.»

Line-up: Laura Toxværd – alto sax, Gustaf Ljunggren – various strings/guitars, Peter Friis Nielsen – electric bass, Marilyn Mazur – percussion, drums

Songbook (ILK294) contains texts, lyrics and notations of the two albums *Tidens strøm* & *Drapery*. Music, words and images are mutually embedded in each other in the sense that the notations in the songbook can be considered visual expressions of the sound of the albums' music. And the other way round is the music created from the songbook's lyrics and notations. The texts in the book tell about the process the entire work went through while it was being created.

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