

Aardvark Steps Out (1993)

This debut CD is a great sampler of the band's range, "from screech to swing" as the Boston Phoenix said. Here is a sampling of response to our music:

"Aardvark Steps Out, footprints a rumble with jurassic import and power. The uncontrollable aspects of a juggernaut unleashed provide much of the Aardvark's awe-inspiring audience fascination." Downbeat

". . . relentless dedication to a cutting-edge approach . . . with exciting exploratory solos." Boston Globe

"Aardvark Steps Out is a bracing walk on the wild side of the big band spectrum. . . Aardvark suggests the best and brashest of Charles Mingus, Gil Evans, George Russell, and even Frank Zappa. . . In all, a refreshing breath of spirited yet structured rebellion from the tried and true. On, Aardvark!" Jazz Times

TRACKS

- 1 Echoes (5:50)
- 2 Gil (9:34)
- 3 Scamology (7:46)
- 4 Mutant Trumpets (4:55)
- 5 For Edward (3:32)
- 6 Zippy Manifesto (23:57)
- 7 Blue Sequence (9:19)
- 8 Freedom Song (6:31)

LISTEN

- Echoes
- Scamology

ALBUM CREDITS

- Dr. Toby Mountain Mastering
- Rick Nelson Guitar
- Mike Peipman Trumpet
- Bob Pilkington Trombone, French Horn
- Phil Scarff Saxophone, Wind, Woodwind
- Jeanne Snodgrass Trumpet
- Marshall Sealy French Horn
- David Broderick Engineer
- Arni Cheatham Saxophone, Wind, Woodwind
- Jerry Edwards Bass (Electric), Contrabassoon, Vocals
- Craig Ellis Percussion, Drums
- Donna Hewitt-Didham Percussion, Vocals
- Joe Higgins Vocals, Contrabass Violin, Contrabass Trombone
- Jay Keyser Trombone, French Horn
- Jeff Marsankas Trombone
- Brian McCree Vocals, Contrabass Trombone, Contrabass Violin
- Raj Mehta Trumpet
- Harry Wellott Bass (Electric), Drums, Vocals
- Jeff Marsanskis Trombone, French Horn
- Rick Nelson Guitar
- Kate Matson Design, Cover Art
- Rajesh Mehta Trumpet
- Peter H. Bloom Saxophone, Wind, Woodwind
- Ken Filiano Vocals, Contrabass Violin, Contrabass Trombone