

K/O/Q

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Tracks 10

Total playing time 50:40

01 Black / 02 Hard Bop / 03 It Bothers / 04 Lamentation /
05 Que Dois Je faire / 06 Draft # 2 / 07 Some Blues /
08 And I Still Miss It / 09 Blue / 10 El Diablo

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- > **Jussi Kannaste, sax**
- > **Olli Ojajarvi, sax**
- > **Ville Huolman, bass**
- > **Jussi Lehtonen, drums**

"K/O/Q has secretly, without any fuss or excessive publicity, taken their deserved place among the best Finnish Jazz bands. Hats off, everyone!" Pentti Ronkanen, Jazz critic

Nominated for the 2005 Jazz-Emma !

Nominees (five groups/albums) are officially announced on the 18th of January 2006, and the Emma Awards Gala is held on the fourth of March 2006 in Helsinki, Finland

"...Together Kannaste and Ojajarvi have produced one of the best Finnish albums of saxophone music ever recorded" ★★★★★ www.suomijazz.com, 6.12.2005, Pentti Ronkanen

"...one can only conclude that this is one of the finest Finnish jazz albums released this year" ●●●●● Rytmi magazine, Dec 2005, Leena Isbom

"...Performed with great strength, the melodic and multi-faceted music is a wonderful example of the current high standard of Finnish jazz..."

Aksentti magazine 7/2005 V-PH

K/O/Q is the more streamlined name of the ensemble Kannaste-Ojajarvi Quartet. K/O/Q is unusual in line-up – truly one of a kind. It impresses us with original superb compositions as much as with exceptionally fresh and lively co-operation between two strong saxophonists and the energetic and enthusiastic work of the rhythm section. Sony Finland 2005 Jazz Award and 2004 Jukka Perko Sax Contest winner, the dazzling Jussi Kannaste and the brilliant saxophonist Olli Ojajarvi from UMO really support and feed on each other. On this album the band plays their own compositions, energetic groove jazz with echoes of both European and American jazz traditions.

Jussi Kannaste and Olli Ojajarvi are masters of improvisation. Saxophonists play melody while bass provides the harmony underneath and no other harmonic instrument is needed. Backbone of K/O/Q is provided by hard swinging Ville Huolman on bass and colourful Jussi Lehtonen on drums.



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