



I'M YOUR MAN

Reviews



... This new CD, I am happy to report, is DK at his best! Aside from the opening track “God Bless The Child”, produced and arranged by Peter, “I’m Your Man” was produced by multi-instrumentalist George Koller. The CD puts a fresh spin on jazz standards like “One Of These Days” and “I Put A Spell On You”. Ibomeka’s version of “I’m Your Man” (featuring George Koller on bass) sounds so natural; I can only imagine he’ll be receiving a thank you call from Leonard Cohen any time now. Michael Shand (piano) Davide Direnzo (drums) Kelly Jerfferson (sax) Geoff Young (guitar) all play brilliantly and several other stellar musicians are featured on his sophomore recording.

Jaymz Bee - Jazz.FM



Ibomeka's sophomore outing finds him firmly ensconced in his own voice, showcasing the lower end of a three-octave range. This is a solid jazz record comprised of standards such as "These Foolish Things" and "The Very Thought of You," and standout players like saxist Kelly Jefferson and pianist Michael Shand. ... Ibomeka brings fire to a bluesy rendition of Nina Simone's "I Put a Spell on You."

Ashante Infantry - Toronto Star

London, Ont.-bred DK Ibomeka is the size of a football lineman. But, as he demonstrated when he opened for Colin James at Centre in the Square in early 2007, he's a big man with a big, rich, bottom-of-the-barrel voice including a big, three-octave range.

Following on the heels of his 2006 debut release *Love Stories*, *I'm Your Man* features soulful renditions of such jazz standards as *Our Love is Here to Stay*, *These Foolish Things* and *I Get Along Without You Very Well*, along with jazz readings of *God Bless This Child*, *I Put a Spell On You* and, yes, Leonard Cohen's *I'm Your Man*.

George Koller, who handles bass, has assembled Ibomeka a stellar lineup of musicians including guest artist Pee Wee Ellis, Van Morrison's longtime band leader.

The son of Nigerian immigrants, Ibomeka is well on his way to the front ranks of Canadian jazz.

Robert Reid – Guelph Mercury



....I'm a "glutton" for standards and this CD has plenty, it also demonstrates DK's ability to handle some of these lovely old "chestnuts". Not to forget the top-notch musicians he has backing him, Michael Shand, keyboards; George Koller, bass; Kelly Jefferson, sax; Davide DiRenzo, percussion; and special guest, saxophonist, Pee Wee Ellis longtime band leader for Van Morrison, and member of the legendary, James Brown hot horn section. Catch, DK Ibomeka when you can, you can't miss him.....

Dave Milbourne - Toronto Jazz