

Thomas Wallisch & Oli Bott Duo (A/D) – "Art of Duo" since 1997

2005 "Inside Out" (big-tone-records)

2001 "Unknown Beauty" (big-tone-records)

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Thomas Wallisch	Guitar & Loops
Oli Bott	Vibraphone & Voice Percussion

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[INFO]

Thomas Wallisch & Oli Bott create astonishing sound scapes out of guitar, vibraphone, loops and voicepercussion: melodic, groovy and funky!

Their anniversary show presents the best songs out of more than 10 years with short anecdotes about Indian spiders and Dresdener Schnitzel, sleeping Freejazzlovers and rain in Calcutta, sunny mountains and dark cities...

[BIOS]

Thomas Wallisch, born 1973 in Klagenfurt/Austria into a family of musicians, began playing the guitar at the age of six. He studied jazz and classical guitar at the state conservatory in Klagenfurt, received scholarships for the Berklee College of Music in Boston where he graduated "summa cum laude". Since then he gave concerts world-wide, produced four own CDs, composed for classical ensembles and won several prizes such as Promotion Prize of the State of Kärnten and the Jimi Hendrix Award, USA. Since December 2003 he teaches jazzguitar at the State Conservatory Kärnten. **www.thomaswallisch.com**

Oli Bott studied vibraphone and composition at the Berklee College of Music in Boston with teachers such as Gary Burton and Bob Brookmeyer. He graduated "summa cum laude". Since then he works as a freelance vibraphonist and composer in Berlin. He received several scholarships by the city of Berlin and composition commissions for his own jazz orchestra. Many of his concerts throughout Europe were recorded by TV and radio. He obtained awards at various international competitions such as the "NDR-Musikpreis" for bigband conductors, the 1st prize at the Improvisation Competition in Leipzig, the Europ Jazz Contest and the Wayne Shorter Award, USA. **www.olibott.com**

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"Music with unmistakable character - top-of-the-range!" **Jazzpodium**

"Oli Bott (vibes) and Thomas Wallisch (g/b) are a terrificly coordinated duo whose relaxing music always finds surprising paths between the worlds of jazz, pop, world and classical music. Intensive music by two true masters, a superb duo-album." **Gitarre & Bass**

"'Inside Out' celebrates the unforeseen lightness of being. Their exceptional chamber jazz duo continues where Gary Burton and Ralph Towner stopped 30 years ago working for ECM. A chill-out wellness bath for undocmatic, tasteful listeners." **Berliner Morgenpost**

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[REFERENCES]

Concerttours: Since 1997 through Germany and Austria. Since 2004 worldwide touring for the Goethe Institut.

Festivals Thomas Wallisch & Oli Bott Duo: German Embassy Lissabon, European Festival Izmir, Calcutta Jazz Festival, Jazzdays Ilmenau, International Jazzfestival Hamm, Jazznight Meppen, Jazzfall Burghausen, Jazzsummer Augsburg, Jazzfestival Würzburg

More Festivals Oli Bott: Schleswig Holstein Music Festival, Komische Oper Berlin, WDR Jazz Festival Cologne, Jazz Across the Border Festival Berlin, Botanic Garden Berlin, Jazzfest Delmenhorst, Musicsummer Brandenburg, Jazz&Joy Festival Worms

More Festivals Thomas Wallisch: International Jazzclub-Festival Graz, Hypo Jazz Festival Klagenfurt, International Musikfair Frankfurt, Jazz Festival Kempten, International Rheinfelder Guitardays, Carinthischer Summer Ossiach, Open Strings Osnabrück, IAJE - Jazz Festival Atlanta, Sound Expo Verona