



CD Release «Wizard Wisdom» by Wolkenpark

Release Date: 12th December 2022

«Wizard Wisdom» is Wolkenpark's first physical release in over 10 years of band history. Started as an electronic duo, the band found its actual line up as a quartet in 2020 preparing a tour to Russia. Unfortunately this was exactly at the beginning of the Corona pandemic – therefore Wolkenpark couldn't perform live until October 2022. Instead of giving up, they invested into intensive rehearsals and the production of their first real album «Wizard Wisdom».

Most of the basics of «Wizard Wisdom» were recorded on two weekends in spring 2021. These were live recordings at [Klangfaktor Recording Studio](#), two to four takes for each track, which built the base of the full album. Another three tracks originate from a live recording in 2019. All tracks are originals composed by the band members, most of them published for the first time.

As preparation for the album release, four tracks were already released before as singles (10.5., 6.6., 17.11.), which led to **almost 30'000 streams on Spotify** and lots of echoes from the [community and online media](#).

- «This debut feature shows how much potential this quartet has, leaving us hungry for more.» *Illustrate Magazine*
- «The interplay between the jazzy vibes of the melody and the spoken-word rap brings a unique texture to the single that makes it highly enjoyable.» *The Other Side Review*
- «Grâce à une énergie contagieuse qui vous happe dès les premières mesures, le groupe suisse s'impose avec une facilité déconcertante.» *Info Music*

The Band

Wolkenpark – this metaphor describes the sound of the quartet of Swiss musicians pretty accurate! The band performs its own compositions using an attractive blend of modern club styles, drum'n'bass, ambient, funk, hip hop and chillout. All that becomes their jazzy original brand, being called «Urban Hybrid Sounds». Coming all from a jazz background (three of the guys teach at Swiss jazz schools), they impress with nasty grooves mixing synthesized sounds, live looping and effects with the acoustic sound of their instruments – trumpet (Kriz Flueter), rhodes (Julien Boss), electric bass (Jean- Pierre Schaller) and drums (Andy Brugger). With Wolkenpark they join their experience of playing together hundreds of gigs in various combinations since the early eighties. If there has ever been a blend of Glasper, Zawinul, Miles and Goldie – here it is.

Production

To enhance the impression of the live performance, producer/brass player Kriz Flueter and keyboard player Julien Boss did some overdubs with trombone, flugelhorn, tuba and various vintage keyboards like Yamaha CP-70, Rhodes 73, Clavinet D-6, Wurliitzer, Roland Juno-60, Korg Mono/Poly or Sequential Prophet 5.

The cd was recorded, produced and mixed by Kriz Flueter at Klangfaktor, half in the box and half, returning to his roots, on a vintage Studer 963 desk using modern and vintage analog and digital outboard processors and effects by Urei, Manley, Neve, Amek, Eventide, Quantec, an Echolette tape delay or an EMT245 reverb (guess which tunes were mixed with which technique).

Mastering was done by Dan Suter at [Echochamber Zürich](#).



Labelcopy

Title Wizard Wisdom

Artist Wolkenpark

Musicians / Production

Christoph «Kriz Flew» Flueler (all brass, loops, effects, synthesizers, sound design, engineering)

Julien Boss (rhodes and other keyboards, synthesizers, effects)

Jean-Pierre Schaller (electric bass, effects)

Andy Brugger (drums, pads)

Featured artist (3/5):

Julio Mwansa Nkowane a.k.a. Rootwords (rap & spoken word)

Recorded, produced & mixed by Christoph «Kriz Flew» Flueler at Klangfaktor Recording Studio

Mastered by Dan Suter at Echochamber

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Vol	Track	Title	Composer	Lyrics	Artist	ISRC	Length
1	1	Lazy Day	Jean-Pierre Schaller	-	Wolkenpark	CH6542225243	06:10
	2	Beromünster	Christoph Flueler	-	Wolkenpark	CH5972200220	04:25
	3	Wizard Wisdom	Jean-Pierre Schaller	Rootwords	Wolkenpark	CH6542272597	06:15
	4	Hello Thomas	Jean-Pierre Schaller	-	Wolkenpark	CH5972200222	05:10
	5	Move on for Real	Jean-Pierre Schaller	Rootwords	Wolkenpark	CH6542236772	05:45
	6	Chicken Eddie	Andy Brugger	-	Wolkenpark	CH5972200224	04:35
	7	Standing Back	Christoph Flueler	-	Wolkenpark	CH6542225244	04:15
	8	Amor	Andy Brugger	-	Wolkenpark	CH5972200236	05:55

Press material

Dropbox folder with press material and original resolution audio previews:

<https://www.dropbox.com/sh/bjyxsg1rvrn5shw/AADPkyYvN6kkg7oZvgLuEZt4a?dl=0>

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