



THOMAS TORSTRUP QUARTET TWO BROTHERS

Jazz pianist and organist Thomas Torstrup has already released a couple of recordings with up-and-coming Norwegian jazz musicians. In recent years, Torstrup has composed new material for jazz quartet resulting in his debut as a bandleader. The songs on *Two Brothers* were recorded in the New Tone Studio in Oslo in August 2019. The music can be characterised as melodic jazz with an original touch and a wide palette of stylistic references. His sources of inspiration range from American jazz traditions to sacred music and the world of Olivier Messiaen. Thomas also finds inspiration in sounds of nature, such as raindrops and wind, and those of children trying instruments for the first time!

TRACKLIST

- 1 Transcribed Raindrops
- 2 Uphill
- 3 First Solar Wind
- 4 Modes
- 5 Item
- 6 Learning to play a drum
- 7 Two brothers
- 8 Second Solar wind

MEET THE ARTIST

The **Thomas Torstrup Quartet** is led by pianist, organist and composer Thomas Torstrup, who was educated on the famous Jazz course at Trondheim University. His recording debut was the poetic 2014 album *Snøkorn*, which he made with Hanna Paulsberg (sax), Trygve Fiske (bass) and Tore Sandbakken (drums). He has also worked on exciting, cross-genre organ projects with John Pål Inderberg, Martin Högberg and Heidi Skjerve for the albums *Still* (2017) and *Selbu Sessions* (2018). He's accompanied in the Thomas Torstrup Quartet by Simen Kiil Halvorsen (trumpet), Stian Andersen (bass) and Ivar Assheim (drums). Together they mainly perform Thomas' original compositions inspired by American jazz traditions, sacred music and Olivier Messiaen.

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PRESS QUOTES

'Elegant and classy jazz from young musicians.'

- Adressa, NO on debut *Snøkorn*

'Jazz of a classic quality.' (5/6)

- OA, NO on debut *Snøkorn*



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Two Brothers



Thomas Torstrup, piano
Simen Kiil Halvorsen, trumpet
Stian Andersen, double bass
Ivar Asheim, drums



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