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With *Horizon Reassembled*, saxophonist Bobby Watson reunites with his 1990s hard-bop Horizon compatriots trumpeter Terrell Stafford, pianist Edward Simon, bassist Essiet Essiet and drummer Victor Lewis to craft an album that is both evocatively familiar and stunningly unexpected.

From the unassuming lead-in of the disc's opening cut, "Lemoncello," Stafford and Watson waste little time in reacquainting themselves with each other by conversing, considering and outright challenging each other before Simon chimes in with a few pertinent thoughts of his own. Elsewhere, as on the album's title track, Watson towers above the fray with a flurry of tremendously turned technique and trademark tone that leaves little doubt as to why he's regarded as one of the contemporary giants on the instrument.

*Horizon Reassembled* also features a powerful lineup of compositional contributions that complement the ensemble frontman's own work. Watson's wife Pamela, a regular contributor of material to her husband's repertoire, offers the sultry and sumptuously crafted "The Love We Had Yesterday." Lewis and Essiet lend a tune apiece, as does one of Watson's own University of Missouri-Kansas City students, David Moore, with the darkly hued and groove-driven "Permanoon."

—John Kreibergs

**Horizon Reassembled:** Lemoncello; Pere; The Love We Had Yesterday; Ginger Bread Boy; Horizon Reassembled; The Look Of Love; Eeevess; Permanoon; Dark Davs; Dark Davs (interlude); Xangongo. (63:58)

**Personnel:** Bobby Watson, alto saxophone; Terrell Stafford, trumpet, flugelhorn; Edward Simon, piano; Essiet Essiet, bass; Victor Lewis, drums.

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