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AS SEEN ON TV 2 Programs on Each DVD of the Acclaimed AD LIB SERIES

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"Reeves can wrap her voice around a melody like few other current jazz singers, hitting the high notes, the low notes, and everything in between as she caresses every phrase with palpable warmth and joy."

—Billboard Magazine

Artists Featured in the Ad Lib Series:

Dianne Reeves
Jimmy Smith
Jon Hendricks
Duke Ellington
Dorothy Donegan
O.C. Smith
Freda Payne
Stanley Turrentine
Count Basie
Red Norvo
Clara Bryant
Jimmy Witherspoon
Linda Hopkins
Lionel Hampton
Marilyn McCoo
Kenny Burrell
Ernie Andrews
George Shearing
Paul Smith
Billy Childs
Marshall Royal
Jerome Richardson
Willie Bobo
Cab Calloway
Ester Phillips
Blossom Dearie
Damita Jo
Bill Henderson
Kenny Rankin
Terry Gibbs
Freddie Hubbard
Tanya Maria
Helen Humes
Laurindo Almeida
Charles Brown
Mundell Lowe
Mark Murphy
Pete & Conte Condoli

And many more!

About The Series

The Ad Lib Series is a collection of 46 concert TV programs presenting the best Jazz, Pop and Blues artists showcasing their skills with a Jazz flair. Seen on TV internationally, Ad Lib (filmed in 1980) was the first musical television series recorded in Stereo.

DIANNE REEVES: THE EARLY YEARS

With special guests **Billy Childs** and **Snooky Young**, and a classic performance from **Count Basie** and **Helen Humes**

Carrying the legendary torch of **Ella Fitzgerald** and **Sarah Vaughan**, Dianne Reeves embodies the long Jazz tradition while remaining distinctive and original. She has won copious accolades, Critics and Readers polls, as well as numerous Grammy Awards. With this historic DVD, we witness the birth of a future star and a genuine musical icon.

Both inside and out of the Jazz world, Reeves is in the most elite category of vocalists. She spent stints performing with **Billy Childs** (who is featured in the DVD) and **Sergio Mendes**, before spending 3 years working for **Harry Belafonte**. A Jazz icon in every sense of the word, Reeves is a fearless singer, unafraid to break the mold by performing in several different genres. Her expansive range, precise pitch, rhythmic and instinctual timing, and powerful yet graceful style have created an intoxicating sound for the singer who enchants and fascinates everyone lucky enough to witness her beautiful voice and passionate performance.

SONG SELECTION

Show # 38:

Love for Sale – Dianne Reeves
I'll Understand – Dianne Reeves
Answer Me – Dianne Reeves
The Homes – Billy Childs & A Fine Madness
Welcome to My Love – Dianne Reeves

1 Hour plus Bonus Features

Show # 5:

Lady Be Good – Snooky Young
On A Clear Day – Dianne Reeves
Everything Must Change – Dianne Reeves
I Cried For You – Count Basie & Helen Humes
St. Louis Blues – Dianne Reeves & Snooky Young

DVD BONUS FEATURES:

Dianne Reeves Biography
Ad Lib Highlights Reel (16 min.)
Digitally Mastered Audio & Video
Dolby Stereo Audio
Instant Access to Songs
DVD Recommendations

MARKETING TIPS:

- Enjoy the many legends of yesteryear that are no longer with us, and witness the birth of today's brightest musical stars.
- Features musical icons from various genres, making the Series an appealing choice for a wide variety of music fans.
- These DVDs are important historic records as they feature classic performances from the musical vaults, from artists such as Duke Ellington, Count Basie, Lionel Hampton, George Shearing, Helen Humes, Cab Calloway, and more.

Other Arkadia DVDs Include:

Benny Golson: The Whisper Not Tour
Duelling Guitars I: Paul Bollenback and John Hart
Billy Harper in Concert: Live from Poland
Nigel Clark in Concert: Live from Scotland



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DOROTHY DONEGAN: PANDAMONIUM

With special guests **Spanky Wilson** and **Buster Cooper**

Pianist **Dorothy Donegan** was born in Chicago circa 1922 and is primarily recognized for playing the boogie-woogie style of Jazz, as well as being the protégé of, and successor to, **Art Tatum**. Known as a Jazz pianist, her classical background and eclectic musical taste helped create an impressive and flamboyant live act that had the ability to engross any audience. Honed in Chicago's vibrant music scene, her act consisted of her splendid blend of Jazz styles infused with Pop, Classical, Ragtime, Gospel, and Vaudeville, among numerous other genres. Her irresistible charm, vicious sense of humor, spunky attitude, and daring musical prowess all played a role in her individual persona and career.

Dorothy Donegan has played and recorded alongside a Who's Who of Jazz greats such as **Cab Calloway**, **Lionel Hampton**, and **Dizzy Gillespie**. Dorothy was also an inductee into the American Jazz Masters Hall of Fame, a distinction bestowed by the National Endowment for the Arts. Since Donegan's death in 1988, when knowledgeable critics look back at her storied career in music, they are left in awe of both her charming personality and her unparalleled musical virtuosity.

SONG SELECTION

Show # 23

Pandemonium - Dorothy Donegan

Mixed Memories - Dorothy Donegan

Summertime - Spanky Wilson

The Last Days of Summer - Spanky Wilson

Everybody Gets To Go To The Moon - Spanky Wilson

Pennies From Heaven - Dorothy Donegan & Spanky Wilson

Show # 24

The Lady is A Tramp - Dorothy Donegan

What Are You Doing The Rest of Your Life - Dorothy Donegan

Sometimes I'm Happy - Buster Cooper

The Nearness of You - Buster Cooper

Take The "A" Train - Dorothy Donegan & Buster Cooper

1 Hour plus Bonus Features

Other Arkadia DVDs Include:

Benny Golson: The Whisper Not Tour

Dueling Guitars I: Paul Bollenback and John Hart

Billy Harper in Concert: Live from Poland

Nigel Clark in Concert: Live from Scotland

Christian Howes & The Horacio Icasto Quartet: Live in Madrid

Latin Nights (with Tito Puente and more)

Cuba Mia: Portrait of an All-Woman Orchestra

Europafest: Jazz Highlights

DVD BONUS FEATURES:

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Coming Soon from the Ad Lib Series!

Willie Bobo: King Conga

Tanya Maria: The Beat of Brazil with special guest Laurindo Almeida

Freddie Hubbard: One of a Kind

Mark Murphy: Murphy's Mood (with the Condoli Brothers)

Jimmy Witherspoon: Goin' Down Blues

Linda Hopkins: Deep in the Night

O.C. Smith: How Sweet It Is



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