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Featuring musicians recorded in Kenya, India, Argentina and the USA.

All songs, produced, recorded, mixed and mastered by Maurice Gainen at Maurice Gainen Productions, Hollywood, CA

(Additional studios & engineers noted inside)



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1) MODERN AFRICA

(Maurice Gainen)

M. Gainen – Tenor Sax, Soprano Sax, Keyboards and Production Bobby Loya – Trumpet & Flugelbone Ben Mwangi, Kayt Mooray and Awino Magawa – Vocals (Nakuru, Kenya)

Once again I have tapped my go-to Kenyan crew.

2) TANGO MUMBAI

(Maurice Gainen)
TULAROSA MUSIC, BMI

M. Gainen - Flute, Programming and Production Marcelo Berestovoy - Acoustic Guitars Tom Lerner - Piano Special Guests: Milind and Yadnesh Raikar - Violins Piano recorded by Tom Lerner at Dream Lab, Los Angeles, CA

From Mumbai, Milind is the father of Yadnesh, the 15-year-old protégé son (Tango melodies) making his USA recording debut while on his first American tour.

3) FALLING SLOWLY

(Glen Hansard/Marketa Irglova/Martin Lowe)
WB MUSIC CORP

M. Gainen - Tenor Sax, Alto Sax, Flute and Production Special Guest: Mighty Mo Rodgers - Vocals Kayt Mooray and Ben Mwangi - Vocals Burleigh Drummond - Cymbals and Crashes Tony Banda - Bass

There is magic in this song and Mighty Mo is the icing on the cake.

4) I WILL RETURN

(Kibrom A. Birhane/Maurice Gainen)

M. Gainen – Tenor Sax, Soprano Sax, Flute and Production Kibrom A. Birhane – Keyboards, Percussion, Bass and Production (Bati Studio – Culver City, CA) Special Guest: Amadou Fall – Kora Kayt Mooray – Vocals Muluemebet Gobezie – Mother's voice

A young Ethiopian girl pursuing her dreams across the ocean reassures her mother.

5) UNREQUITED FANTASY

(Maurice Gainen/Dave Iwataki)
TULAROSA MUSIC, BMI/KAZOKU MUSIC, ASCAP

M. Gainen - Tenor Sax, Flute and Production
Dave Iwataki - Keyboards and Production
Special Guest: Shelly Ren - Erhu
Jun Hiraoka and Canae - Storytellers
Burleigh Drummond - Gongs and "Room Service
Tony Banda - Bass

The "could have been lovers" stories are identical except that he says, "I was too in awe of your beauty to approach you" and she says, "I was too shy to approach you".

この曲は、"恋人であったかもしれない" 2人が最後にすれ違ってしまう、 同じ気持ちを描いている。

『こんな僕じゃ、あまりに綺麗な君に アプローチするのが恐かった。』

『臆病者の私は、結局あなたに話しかけられなかった。』





Burleigh Drummond



Dave Iwataki (Photo by Geovani Aleksandr -Aleksandr Photography)

6) COBRINHA

(Tiné) TULAROSA MUSIC. BMI

M. Gainen - Flute, Alto Sax, Tenor Sax and Production Marcelo Berestovoy - Guitar, Cavaquinho and Bass Burleigh Drummond - Broken Cowbell, Pans and Shakers **Burleigh McDowall Drummond - Pandeiro** Seth Shaffer - Tuba

I kept hearing this song on internet radio and it really caught me. I replaced key instruments with saxes and the vocal with flute. Tiné is a contemporary vocalist, songwriter, multi-instrumentalist and recording artist from the Northeast of Brazil.



and Production Mel Elias - Keyboards and Production Armando Ortega, Jr. - Vocals,

(Mel Elias/Armando Ortega, Jr./Maurice Gainen)

RISE & SHINE

ELMEL MUSIC PUBLISHING, ASCAP

M. Gainen - Soprano Sax

(MG Re-imagination)

Kevboards and Production Special Guest: Milind Raikar - Violin

I took a track off of Mel's excellent CD. "Project Z" and then added the Indian elements and myself to it.

Mel and Armando recorded at Reverse Bird, Burbank, CA by Armando.

Marcelo Berestovov

RUSH

(Manu Sija/Guido Bertini) TULAROSA MUSIC, BMI

M. Gainen - Tenor Sax, Flute, Vocals and Production Manu Sija - Guitar Guido Bertini - Harmonic Sound **Burleigh Drummond - Percussion** Manu and Guido recorded at Hank's Studio (Balderrama Tucumán, Argentina) Jose Sija - Engineer

Lloved the track that these two rising stars from Salta, Argentina contributed to my last CD so much that I had to find another one to do this time around. I created my parts over their instruments, which remained unchanged from the original version.



9) NOTA SINGULAR

(Maurice Gainen/Jamieson Trotter) TULAROSA MUSIC, BMI/SHKAMOFLE MUISC. ASCAP

M. Gainen - Flute, Tenor Sax and Production Jamieson Trotter - Piano and Production

Jamieson and I mashed up the past and future of Bossa Nova on this track.

10) ISN'T IT A PITY?

(George and Ira Gershwin) WR MUSIC CORP

M. Gainen - Vocal, Tenor Sax and Production Dave Iwataki - Piano and Orchestration Marcelo Berestovoy - Guitars and Special Effects **Burleigh Drummond - Wind Chimes and Cymbals**

This is my vocal debut. I felt it critical that I create a unique "setting" to make this beautiful Standard match the rest of the CD. I set it up so that both Dave and Marcelo were pushed out of their normal boxes. This is where we landed. - Dedicated to J.A.

Manu Sija Guido Bertini Produced, Recorded, Mixed and Mastered by Maurice Gainen Maurice Gainen Productions, Hollywood, CA

Ben Mwangi, Kayt Mooray and Awino Magawa vocals recorded by Ben Mwangi Altarr Productions - Nakuru, Kenya

Burleigh Drummond and Burleigh McDowall Drummond recorded by Burleigh Drummond at Tin Drum Studio - Thousand Oaks, CA

Art Direction/Graphic Designer - Angela Carole Brown Design concept - Maurice Gainen

Artist's note:

My recordings are done with no commercial considerations in an effort to keep the music as pure as possible.

There is so much great music available now from all corners of the world. I realize what a great privilege it is to be able to add to the story. I thank all of you who allow me into your universe, even if only for just a few fleeting moments.

Special Thanks:

To all of the gifted musicians, visual and sound artists who have given so completely of their talents.

Please visit: www.mauricegainen.com where all lyrics are available.



Maurice, Tony Banda, Canae

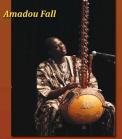


Awino Magawa, Ben Mwangi, Kayt Mooray







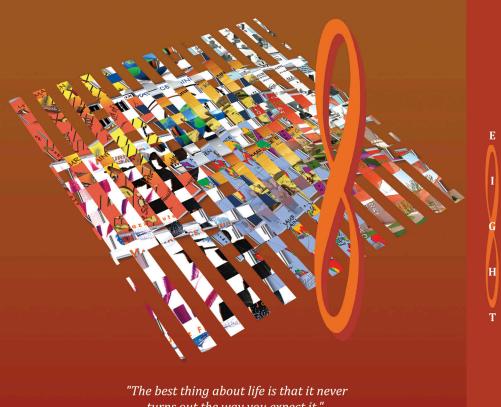






Milind and Yadnesh Raikar





The best thing about life is that it never turns out the way you expect it." – George Furth

