

"Jazz On A Summer's Day" 60th Anniversary Edition - 1958 Newport Jazz Festival

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ASHEVILLE, NC, USA, October 17, 2018 /EINPresswire.com/ -- "Jazz on a Summer's Day" is one of the greatest concert movies ever made, a timeless record of the 1958 Newport Jazz Festival, with some of the most stunning images of live music ever brought to the cinema screen.

Conceived by stills photographer Bert Stern (Vogue magazine, Marilyn Monroe, Audrey Hepburn) and brilliantly filmed over three days in August 1958, "Jazz On A Summer's Day" provided the template for future concert documentaries such as Monterey and Woodstock.

Interspersing footage of the crowd and fashions of late Fifties America, the America's Cup yacht race with artists live on stage and largely devoid of dialogue, Stern's fluid form perfectly echoes the jazz vibe tempering a fly-on-the-wall documentary style with surreal, dreamlike flourishes.

Although the festival featured a glittering array of jazz giants such as Louis Armstrong, Thelonious Monk, Anita O'Day, Dinah Washington, George Shearing, and Gerry Mulligan, the event encompassed far more. Chuck Berry duck-walked his way to rock glory, Big Maybelle provided her powerhouse R&B and the magnificent Mahalia Jackson delivered gospel in a manner that demonstrated what true soul was all about.

In 1999, the film was selected for preservation in the United States National Film Registry by the Library of Congress as being "culturally, historically, or aesthetically significant."

Bert Stern's acclaimed film of the 1958 Newport Jazz Festival is newly restored for its 60th Anniversary by Richard J Whittaker of FX with DVD authoring by Ray Shulman at I-Sonic while the soundtrack has been digitally remastered for CD by Peter Reynolds at Reynolds Mastering and for the first time ever, mastered at half-speed by Barry Grint at Alchemy Studios on two 33 1/3 rpm audiophile Vinyl LPs.

Released on Charly Records, the special edition comes housed in a lavish, blue-foil blocked fully-illustrated 40-page hardback book complete with new, definitive sleeve notes by Mojo's Fred



Dellar, including artist and track-by-track details.

DVD extras include an interview with Bert Stern, an introduction to "Jazz on a Summer's Day," artist biographies and photo gallery.

60TH ANNIVERSARY EDITION

DVD | CD | VINYL | BOOK

- Complete film DVD + bonus documentary + extras
- Newly-remastered soundtrack on CD
- 2 x 10-inch LPs mastered half-speed on audiophile vinyl
- 40-page lavishly illustrated hardback book
- New liner notes by Fred Dellar

Release date: 26th October 2018

"An audio-visual treat, a moment to savour from the Indian summer of Jazz." - THE GUARDIAN

"Sixty years on, 'Jazz on a Summer's Day' remains a timeless venture, forever memorable." - Fred Dellar, MOJO MAGAZINE

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