

Chris Zimmer 'The Swamp Thang'

"It was high time to come out with some new original material. The fact that it turned out to be a record played entirely with flute, however, just happened, it was never planned!" says Chris Zimmer. For a long time now, Chris has been known for his soulful tone on the tenor saxophone, but having influenced in his teenage years by people like Roland Kirk, he always had a big love for the flute as well.

Having spent fifteen years in the Big Apple and gotten to perform with some of the 'big boys' helped develop his very own conception of jazz and R&B fused by the space flow of Sun Ra, whose rhythm section Chris use to regularly play with.

This record occurs out to be a co-production with his soulmate Ulf Kleiner, who took care of co-writing and production. One thing Evelyn Blakey always used to say to me was "Music washes away the dust of every day life", and I hope the Swamp Thang does, too."

Chris Zimmer – flute

Ulf Kleiner - rhodes, piano, organ & moog

Jean-Philippe Wadle - bass

Deniz Alatas - guitar (on 5 & 6)

David Meisenzahl – drums

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Tracklist:

1. The Swamp Thang
2. Purple Pulpo
3. Bright Sun
4. Joy Of The Day
5. Dig That
6. 53rd Lexington Ave.
7. Funk Underneath
8. Love Forever

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All tracks written by Chris Zimmer and Ulf Kleiner

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arranged & mixed by Ulf Kleiner at Sommerresidenzstudio

Mastered by Simon Lancelot at Studios Ferber, Paris.

Production & artwork by Ulf Kleiner