

LESLIE DRAYTON

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Leslie Drayton endorses duCarbo Trumpet and Flugelhorn along with Bob Reeves Mouthpieces and Curry Precision Mouthpieces.

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"Changing Landscapes" is Leslie Drayton's thirteenth studio album and timely addition to his previous body of work. The album features ten tunes that offer a snapshot of life and its evolution. A melding of Leslie's experiences and musical philosophies, the album unfolds an evocative story. Each tune is accompanied by an intensely lyrical horn that allows for a musical conversation with the other instrumentalists. These musical expressions skillfully ratchet up the emotions or temper them down. He relocated from Los Angeles to Houston, TX in 2016 and the album bears some reflections of that transition.

One of the main themes of the album as Leslie puts it, is to "evolve in life, understand and embrace change, and not get stuck." Leslie has methodically applied that wisdom to his own life and the new album by using new technology to craft the desired sound and tone of his music to collaborating with new musicians in Houston and old acquaintances from Los Angeles. He is constantly exploring new ways to express his life through his music and performances.

Leslie once said, "I have a serious issue with jazz not connecting with younger people." It wasn't just a lament. Many of the new musicians in Houston he collaborated with are young people whom he mentors. Like those who mentored him, he reminds young musicians "to develop and trust their musical voice and ideas." Leslie will continue to push the boundaries of his talent and skill to keep jazz music relevant while equipping the next generation to produce excellence in life and music.



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