



Mr. GONE

Mr. GONE is a 4 piece ensemble featuring the groove based music of early electric jazz (fusion), focusing on the groundbreaking music of **Weather Report** and **Herbie Hancock's Headhunters & Mwandishi** bands, as well as original compositions. Referencing the origins of the jam band movement, they connect the past with the future, opening a window on the historical significance and influence of this music. Mr GONE is comprised of **Peter Furlan** (saxes, Dizzy Gillespie, 10,000 Maniacs, Frank Foster) **Neil Alexander** (keyboards, Alphonse Mouzon, The Mahavishnu Project, NAIL), **Ratzo Harris** (basses, Denny Zeitlin, Jane Ira Bloom) and **Terry Silverlight** (drums, Barry Miles, Phil Woods, Laura Nyro).

From 1970 to 1987 the group **Weather Report** - possibly the greatest electric jazz group that ever was - toured nonstop and released a staggering 15 albums. With Miles Davis alums **Wayne Shorter & Joe Zawinul** at the helm and rhythm sections of world class musicians, this groundbreaking ensemble set new standards for composition and collective improvisation while thrilling international audiences. **Mr GONE** brings this incredible music back to life with passion and reverence.

Peter Furlan & Neil Alexander met in 2011, and quickly realized they had a tremendous amount of musical history in common - a history that included post bop, free jazz and classical, as well as progressive rock, funk and jazz fusion. They immediately resolved to put together a working ensemble. "**Mr Gone**" grew naturally out of their shared connections and the desire to explore some of their favorite music. Focusing primarily on the music of the longest running jazz fusion outfit "Weather Report" (1970 - 1986), they fully explore the material with a keen eye for compositional details and extended improvisations.

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