

THAD JONES • MEL LEWIS CONSUMMATION



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Thad Jones – Mel Lewis Orchestra: Consummation

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Of the many albums recorded by the Thad Jones/Mel Lewis Orchestra, this was the greatest. This set introduced Jones' best-known composition, "A Child Is Born", and also has a colourful rendition of his sly "Tiptoe", and finds the big band ripping the roof off during the lengthy and very exciting "Fingers". The all-star cast (which includes flugelhornist Jones, drummer Lewis, trumpeter Marvin Stamm, trombonist Jimmy Knepper, tenor great Billy Harper, the reeds of Jerome Richardson, Jerry Dodgion and Eddie Daniels, keyboardist Roland Hanna, and bassist Richard Davis, among others) is well served by Thad Jones' inventive and swinging arrangements. A classic.

Recording: January and May 1970 at A&R Studios, New York City, by Don Hahn

Production: Sonny Lesterdeutsch "Consummation" - Thad Jones (tp, flh, cond); Billy Harper (ts, fl); Jimmy Knepper (tb); Jerome Richardson (as, ss, fl); Joe Farrell (bs, cl); Roland Hanna (el-p, p); David Spinozza (g); Mel Lewis (dr), a.o.