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## ABOUT DAN FAULK

Celebrated tenor/soprano saxophonist Dan Faulk has recorded on several CDs with many of jazz's legendary masters including **Barry Harris, John Hicks, Louis Hayes, and with J.J. Johnson** for **Verve Records**. From 1997- 2005, Dan was a regularly featured soloist with **Steve Turré and the Sanctified Shells**. **Dan has 3 CDs as a leader**. Dan's first CD, *Focusing In*, made such an impact that it was chosen to be featured on the cover of the **1995 Bielefelder Katalog**--Europe's most widely-circulated and extensive jazz discography. In addition to his extensive performance career, Dan served as **Director of Jazz Studies and a professor at the State University of New York at Stony Brook** 1999 - 2003 and as a professor at **City University-York College** 2003 - 2004. He is currently focusing on his performance career and writing a book on jazz improvisation. Dan is also an editor for the **Journal of Jazz Studies** published by the **Institute of Jazz Studies at Rutgers University**.

Dan has performed with several groups including the **Cindy Blackman Quartet**, the **Henry Butler Quartet**, the **J.J. Johnson Quintet**, **Ronnie Mathews' Sextet**, the **Peter Leitch Sextet**, the **Ed Cherry Quartet**, the **Mingus Dynasty**, the **Smithsonian Jazz Orchestra**, the **James Spaulding Quintet**, **TanaReid**, and **Steve Turré and the Sanctified Shells** to name a few. He has performed throughout the world at most of jazz's top clubs including New York City's "**Blue Note**" and "**Village Vanguard**," Oakland's "**Yoshi's**," Toronto's "**The Rex**," and Cologne, Germany's "**Subway**." Some of Dan's highlight performances in the jazz festival scene have included the "**Playboy Jazz Festival**" in Los Angeles, France's "**Jazz a Vienne Festival**," Holland's "**North Sea Jazz Festival**", Canada's "**du Maurier Jazz Festival**," and NYC's "**Panasonic Jazz Festival**."

As a leader, Dan has toured in the U.S. and internationally with his own ensembles. His first release, *Focusing In*, is available on the **Criss Cross Jazz** label. Dan's 2nd release, *Spirits In The Night*, is available on the **Fresh Sound Records** label. Dan's 3rd release, *The Dan Faulk Songbook, Vol. 1*, is available on the **Ugli Fruit Productions** label. Dan is a prolific composer having penned over 100 compositions to date, several of which have been recorded on his and other artists' CDs. His compositions have been performed by various musicians, including **Benny Golson, Barry Harris, Ronnie Mathews, Rufus Reid, and James Spaulding**.