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12th CHINESE TOUR OF THE YARI PRODUCTIONS

LA VIE EN ROSE - TRIBUTE TO FRENCH SONG

BY YANNICK RIEU TRIO - CHINA TOUR 2012



The Yari Productions present their 12th Chinese tour: **"Yannick Rieu Trio - La Vie En Rose"** from September 16th to October 1st, 2012 at the China Guangzhou Art Festival and the Beijing International Ninegates Jazz Festival. They will also perform In Shanghai and Nanjing theaters (including 2 master-classes in Beijing).

Musicians: Yannick Rieu / tenor and soprano saxophones; Sylvain Provost / guitar; Rémi-Jean Leblanc / double bass

Presentation: Yannick Rieu was born in Quebec of French parents. Early on, he enjoyed and learned the unforgettable melodies of French song masters. As a jazz saxophonist, he assimilated the traditional art of American Masters and developed his coltranian spirit, but he has always nurtured a great affection for the vibrant poetry of francophone singers. His sensitive interpretation of Jacques Brel's *Voir un ami pleurer*, released on "Little Zab" album (Effendi Records, Canada), as subsequently on "Tribute to Jacques Brel" (Wagram Music, France), transforms this dramatic song into a melancholy poem of surprising sweetness.

The Yannick Rieu Trio, who immortalized Brel's song in 1999 and won the Félix award for the jazz album of the year in Quebec, again explores the inexhaustible french répertoire: Barbara, Trenet, Vigneault, Brel, Gainsbourg, Ferré, Leclerc, Piaf... A fantastic reservoir of melodies. The musicians propose to add new impetus to known or less familiar themes and songs by an original approach. Quebec people have a clear link with the French song and this project, which combines the popular melodies and jazz interpretation, is both modern and accessible.

Concerning Yannick Rieu: "Whenever he takes the saxophone, the blow hits us right in the heart." This encounter of Rieu on saxophone and Provost on guitar leads us to believe, for a brief moment, that heaven exists. Everything's beautiful. Not too much, just the essential! " *Le Soleil*, Quebec

The Yari Productions have organized numerous tours and important events such as "Canadian Jazz Experience Jazz in China, 2009", "Quebec Evening at the Shanghai Expo 2010" and "Celebration of 40 years of diplomatic relationships between Canada and China at the National Centre for the Performing Art of China".

Our reputation is well established in this country for the quality of our shows and for the collaboration efficiency with Chinese representatives. During the past six years, we have developed an important network of diffusers and business partners.

The Yari Productions wish to thank the "China Guangzhou Art Festival" and the "Beijing International Ninegates Jazz Festival" in particular, for their special invitations.

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