

PRESS RELEASE

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Grazina Pukaite *Small Sessions I*

The debut EP, 'Small Sessions I,' by the Grazina Pukaite Trio, introduces Chris Bland on piano (tracks 1, 3, 5), Rhodes (track 2), Hammond (tracks 4, 6), Harry Brunt on tenor sax, and guest feature — Julian Woods on microtonal guitar (tracks 2, 6)

'Small Sessions I' is a musical journey between vocalese, original compositions, and Brazilian tunes featuring Chris Bland on piano, Rhodes, and Hammond, and Harry Brunt on tenor sax. The EP is an unfiltered exploration of sound, shapes, and textures, pushing the boundaries of musical connection with trusted collaborators that reflects the raw experience and deep honesty in the momentum. Our recording approach was uninhibited, free from expectations or parameters — an experiment embracing imperfections without pursuing perfection.

The album unfolds as a diverse tapestry, featuring a spectrum of hues transitioning from lighter tones to deeper shades. A special place is reserved for reworked A.C. Jobim's 'Chega de Saudade' and 'Desafinado' compositions, adding a unique touch to this eclectic musical experience.

The opening tune on the EP, 'Renewal' by Ralph Towner, with verse lyrics by Grazina, starts with a free piano intro, setting the tone for the entire EP.



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on 25/10/2023.

Mixed/Mastered by **Simone Gallizio**

Produced by **Grazina Pukaite**
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SINGLES:

'**Ode to my Fingers**' (Grazina Pukaite) — featuring Chris Bland on Rhodes, Harry Brunt on tenor sax and Julian Woods on guitar — 13 December, 2023

TRACKLIST:

Track 1 — '**Renewal**' (Ralph Towner/Grazina Pukaite) —featuring Chris Bland on piano and Harry Brunt on tenor sax.

Track 2 — '**Ode to my Fingers**' (Grazina Pukaite) — featuring Chris Bland on Rhodes, Harry Brunt on tenor sax and Julian Woods on guitar.

Track 3 — '**Desafinado**' (Antônio Carlos Jobim) — featuring Chris Bland on piano and Harry Brunt on tenor sax.

Track 4 — '**Twisted**' (Wardell Gray) — featuring Chris Bland on Organ and Harry Brunt on tenor sax.

Track 5 — '**Chega de Saudade**' (Antônio Carlos Jobim) — featuring Chris Bland on piano and Harry Brunt on tenor sax.

Track 6 — '**On Connection**' (Grazina Pukaite) — featuring Chris Bland on Organ, Harry Brunt on tenor sax and Julian Woods on guitar.

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