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# A Foreign Affair

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**Artist / Group Name:** Spyro Gyra

**CD Title:** A Foreign Affair

**Genre:** Contemporary Jazz / Modern

**Year Released:** 2011

**Record Label:** Amherst Records

**Tracks:** Caribe, Khuda, Sweet Ole Thang, Falling Waltz, Shinjuku, Chileno Boys, Samba For Two, Cancao de Ninar, Antigua, Last Call and Dancing On Table Mountain

**Musicians:** Jay Beckenstein (saxophones), Tom Schuman (keyboards), Julio Fernandez (guitar, vocals), Scott Ambush (bass), Bonny B. (drums, percussion), Keb Mo' (vocals), Arigit Singh (vocals), Sandeep Chowta (strings and Duduk samples, tabla programming), Pedrito Martinez (congas), Tosin Aribisala (percussion)

**Artist Website:**

**Label Website:**

**Rating:** Three Stars

Rick Braun, in October 2011 issue of *JazzTimes* magazine, admitted what those who are in the smooth jazz business end have known for a while, notably the demise of commercial radio and its commercial music business. He admits the good side of this is that, "there's no pressure on the artists to come up with radio-play hits anymore." With both of the above facts now in play, there has been a mad scramble going on among record companies and artists.