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Rating

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Release Date

Dec 2, 2003

Label

Quantum Leap

Review

by Ke

George Shearing performs both solo and in a duo with bassist **Brian Torff** during this 19 concert at Ambassador Auditorium in Pasadena, CA. This program was originally titled "Art of George Shearing" when it aired, probably on public television. In spite of a few distractions caused by problems with **Torff's** microphone and at least one piece of equipment falling during the opening song, the performances easily overcome these distractions. Shearing, who worked regularly in a duo with **Torff** for over three years, enjoys having a partner who can play his instrument at a high level. Both men play intricate lines in Shearing's extended arrangement of "Love for Sale." Purposely stumbling over the song during his announcement, the blind pianist humorously introduces "On a Clear Day" as an Impressionistic piece. **Torff's** arco bass adds a delay pedal, giving it a wave-like effect behind Shearing's haunting introduction. At this point, the bassist leaves the stage as Shearing sings and plays a warm rendition of "Have You Met Miss Jones," followed by a thoughtful solo instrumental of "Close Enough for Love" (which is incorrectly identified in the DVD package as a reprise of "Have You Met Miss Jones"). The duo closes this brief program (approximately 27 minutes) with a rollicking treatment of "Up a Lazy River." The camera angles and audio are excellent, though the video is not as sharp as one would expect for a 1981 tape.

Releases

Year	Type	Label	Catalog #
2003	DVD	Quantum Leap	864

Type

Video

Genre

Jazz

Styles

Cool

Mainstream Jazz

Moods

Stylish

Reflective

Reserved

Joyous

Refined/
Mannered

Laid-Back/
Mellow

Restrained
Intimate

Sophisticated
Elegant

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