



LOUIS ARMSTRONG



LOUIS ARMSTRONG KING OF JAZZ

This DVD features a unique biography of Louis Armstrong, one of the greatest Jazz musicians in history.

Armstrong defined what it was to play Jazz. His amazing technical abilities, the joy and spontaneity, and amazingly quick, inventive musical mind still dominate Jazz to this day and only Charlie Parker comes close to having as much influence on the history of Jazz as Louis Armstrong did. As one of the first soloists on record, Armstrong was more responsible than anyone else for jazz changing from an ensemble-oriented folk music into an art form that emphasized inventive solo improvisations. His relaxed phrasing was a major change from the staccato style of the early '20s, helping set the stage for the swing era. Armstrong demonstrated that it was possible to have both impressive technique and a strong feeling for the blues.

■ track listing

- Salty Dog - **Freddie Keppard Jazz Cardinals**
- Canal Street Blues - **King Oliver Creole Jazz Band**
- As You Like It - **Original Tuxedo Junction Jazz Band**
- Dipper Mouth Blues - **King Oliver Creole Jazz Band**
- Froggie Moore - **King Oliver's Original Jazz Band**
- Cake Walking Babies From Home - **Jazz Union Babies**
- St Louis Blues - **Bessie Smith**
- My Heart - **Louis Armstrong & His Hot Five**
- West End Blues - **Louis Armstrong & His Hot Five**
- Heebie Jeebies - **Louis Armstrong & His Hot Five**
- Muskrat Ramble - **Louis Armstrong & His Hot Seven**
- Gully Low Blues - **Louis Armstrong & His Hot Seven**
- When You're Smiling - **Louis Armstrong & His Orchestra**
- You Rascal You - **Louis Armstrong & His Orchestra**
- Lazy River - **Louis Armstrong & His Orchestra**
- Shine - **Louis Armstrong & His Orchestra**
- All Of Me - **Louis Armstrong & His Orchestra**
- The Blues Are Brewin' - **Louis Armstrong & His Orchestra**
- Muskrat Ramble - **Louis Armstrong & His All Stars**
- I'm Crazy About My Baby - **Louis Armstrong & His All Stars**
- St Louis Blues - **Louis Armstrong & His All Stars**

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