

ORI DAGAN LAUNCHES THE FIRST VISUAL ALBUM IN THE JAZZ GENRE

“Dagan’s perspective toward jazz is provocatively charming, ingenious and extremely sui generis...delightfully retro and deliciously avant-garde at the same time.”

-Randy Radic, Huffington Post

Last Friday, Toronto’s Ori Dagan released his third recording, “Nathaniel: A Tribute to Nat King Cole” (2017 Winner: Silver Medal for “Best Album” at the Global Music Awards) which **debuted at #1 on the iTunes Jazz charts in Canada**. The recording is a unique homage to the legendary jazz musician and pop icon, featuring 5 original songs inspired by facets of Cole’s life, music and legacy.

Fresh off a full house for the world premiere screening at Lula Lounge, Dagan and his team have made jazz history by creating the first visual album in the jazz genre, **a collection of 12 music videos accompanying this release, which today launch online and can be viewed here:**

<https://www.oridagan.com/visual-album> or at the links below.

Recorded at Noble Street Studios with co-producer Douglas Romanow, “Nathaniel” is a nod to the early jazz side of Cole’s career, with world-class rhythm section Mark Kieswetter on piano, Nathan Hiltz on guitar, Ross MacIntyre on bass and highly esteemed special guests: bebop icon Sheila Jordan, Grammy nominee Jane Bunnett and “Canada’s Sweetheart of Swing” Alex Pangman. The music videos were made possible by a [successful PledgeMusic campaign](#) which yielded over 200 contributions worldwide, the 12 music videos were produced by a team of 8 indie music video directors from across the world:

1. [LILLETTE](#) (Music & Lyrics by Wally Gold, video directed by Corey Winfield)
2. [STING OF THE CACTUS](#) (Music & Lyrics by Ori Dagan & Nathan Hiltz, video directed by Bekky O’Neil)
3. [NATURE BOY](#) (Music & Lyrics by Eden Ahbez, video directed By Leonardo Dell’Anno)
4. [SWEETHEART](#) (Music & Lyrics by Ori Dagan & Nathan Hiltz, video directed by Carlos Coronado)
5. [STRAIGHTEN UP AND FLY RIGHT](#) featuring [Sheila Jordan](#) (Music & Lyrics by Nat King Cole & Irving Mills, video directed by Corey Winfield)
6. [KEEP IT SIMPLE](#) (Music & Lyrics by Ori Dagan, video directed by Ryan Maggs)
7. [BIBIMBAP](#) (Music & Lyrics by Ori Dagan & Nathan Hiltz, video directed by Heather Colbert)
8. [PRETEND](#) featuring [Alex Pangman](#) (Music & Lyrics by Dan Belloc, Lew Douglas, Cliff Parman and Frank Levere, video directed by Carlos Coronado)
9. [COMPLEXION](#) featuring Jane Bunnett (Music & Lyrics by Ori Dagan & Nathan Hiltz, video directed by Carlos Coronado)
10. [DARLING JE VOUS AIME BEAUCOUP](#) (Music & Lyrics by Anna Sosenko, video directed by Carlos Coronado)
11. [EL BODEGUERO](#) featuring [Jane Bunnett](#) (Music & Lyrics by Richard Egues, video directed by Juan Palacio)
12. [UNFORGETTABLE](#) (Music & Lyrics by Irving Gordon, video directed by Heath Fashina)

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