



JAMES FARM
NEW ALBUM: JAMES FARM
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**Nonesuch Releases Jazz Quartet's
Self-Titled Debut Album**

New band features Joshua Redman (sax), Aaron Parks (piano), Matt Penman (bass), and Eric Harland (drums), all of whom composed pieces for the record

'James Farm could be one of those rare breakthrough bands - Miles and Brubeck did it long ago - that appeals to a significant audience beyond the jazz audience.'
San Jose Mercury News

James Farm is a collaborative band featuring saxophonist **Joshua Redman**, pianist **Aaron Parks**, bassist **Matt Penman**, and drummer **Eric Harland**. On its self-titled debut album, the group uses traditional acoustic jazz quartet instrumentation for its song-based approach to jazz and incorporates the members' myriad of influences: rock, soul, folk, classical, and electronica, among many others. The band will be touring the U.S. and Europe this summer in support of the album (details at jamesfarmband.com). **James Farm** is available for pre-order now at nonesuch.com.

Penman says of the group, "James Farm is where we pool our collective knowledge, let run the best of our ideas arising from our varied musical influences, while acknowledging substantial common ground - a love of jazz, a fascination with song and structure, an obsession with groove, and receptivity to contemporary influences. A band where we can be creative composers and improvisers, in step with the rhythm of the times, constantly evolving."

The quartet has already received critical acclaim since its debut at the 2009 Montreal Jazz Festival, where they played to a packed house and rave reviews. "This much is clear: these are absolute professional musicians at the top of their game," said *All About Jazz*.

Although this is the first time the quartet members have performed and recorded in this exact configuration, the musicians were hardly strangers. Redman, Harland, and Penman performed together as part of the SFJAZZ Collective, and pianist Aaron Parks used the James Farm rhythm section on his debut recording for Blue Note records, *Invisible Cinema* (2008).

Visit the official **James Farm** website: www.jamesfarmband.com

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