



Tara Davidson – DUETS: This is my first listen to Tara’s excellent reed work, & she brings a whole cast of musical characters with her (Tara Davidson- alto & soprano saxes, with Mike Murley – tenor saxophone; Trevor Hogg – tenor saxophone; Laila Biali – piano; David Braid – piano; David Occhipinti – guitar; Andrew Downing – acoustic bass and cello) in a perfect jazz session to wind down 2014 with... pieces like “[Silver Skates](#)” will have you gently groovin’ right along with the players. If you’re looking for something just a bit more upbeat, you’ll like “[130 E. 39th St.](#)“, no doubt about it. The recording is vibrant, & projects far more than the “duets” title would imply... my personal favorite (from a jazz immersion standpoint) of the thirteen splendid tracks is “[The Halcyonian Years](#)“... some wonderful bass on the intro, & the all-original energy (all of these tunes are Tara’s) makes it a true winner! I give Tara & her folks a MOST HIGHLY RECOMMENDED, with an “EQ” (energy quotient) rating of 4.98. Get more information at [Tara’s website](#). *Rotcod Zzaj*

