

I Am Not Yours by DIMITRI K.

by Take Effect Reviews

October 15, 2021

Self-Released, 2021

8/10

The prolific writer, composer and arranger Dimitri K. returns with another batch of jazz, orchestral, pop and rock focused songwriting, and he's got a handful of musicians to help flesh out the diverse and exciting tracks.

The title track starts the listen with plenty of soul as warm grooves enter the crisp climate that welcomes pretty singing from Lyia Meta, and "Swept Away" follows soon after with cautious brass thanks to Paul Messinar and fluid oboe from Jamie Strefeler in the reflective, rich delivery.

Further along, "Proclivity For Smiling" showcases John Valeri's intricate guitar work alongside Rob Mullins' agile keys and strategic percussion, while "Chasing Harmony" resides in much melody, where a dreamy quality surrounds the stylish musicianship. "Monday Morning", a very noteworthy track, then recruits a firm beat amid David Fogel's graceful keys and pop influences.

"In A Broader Sense" lands near the end, and brings fascinating piano acrobatics to a backdrop of mystery, and "Moonlight Impression" exits the listen with Konstantin Dimitrov's moody strings as the landscape flows with a cinematic appeal.

Dimitri K. again creates a listen that transcends time and doesn't fit into any easy classification, but certainly contains a universal charm that weaves in and out of very precise, inviting textures.

Travels well with: Jazz From Planet Flippo- Dedications; Francesco Amenta- Midtown Walk