

Brännkyrkagatan 44

In an apartment on Brännkyrkagatan 44 in Stockholm there is an old grand piano. A fine old grand piano. Palle Sollinger had finished writing material for his debut album, but had not found the place he wanted to record it on. Not until he found that fine old grand piano on Brännkyrkagatan 44.

Together with Fredrik Hermansson (piano), an old friend Palle has been playing with for more than 15 years, he turned Brännkyrkagatan 44 into a studio for a few days in May 2015. It became a very special studio; an intimate living room where Palle's bass and the fine old grand piano created the atmosphere Palle was looking for: intimate, harmonious and where improvisation and melodies came at an ease.

– For us it was important set a tone that gave the music a laid-back feeling and a friendly keynote, Palle Sollinger says. As a conversation between two friends in a living room - which also is what the entire recording lean on: two friends, a living room and a fine old grand piano.

Palle wanted to present their compositions in a close and simple way, and many of the takes were left as they were. The description of the music Palle wants to leave to the listener.

– Hopefully we can convey a sense of presence so that the listener can create their own relationship with us. As we suddenly are three people in the living room on a spring day in May. Around that fine old grand piano in Brännkyrkagatan 44. The location also gave name to the record.

Palle has been active on the Stockholm jazz scene for 15 years as a band member and composer. The album "Brännkyrkagatan 44" is Palle's first self-composed album, and also the debut of Fredrik Hermansson and Palle Sollinger as a separate constellation. On the album, Fredrik Lindborg (clarinet) also participates on two songs. All music is written by Palle Sollinger.

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