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RON DAVIS is a pianist in the great virtuoso tradition.

His music is rooted in swing and post-bop jazz. Active and popular on the jazz scene, Ron has played across the world. In Canada, Ron's home, he is known as a dazzling musician, and entertaining performer.

Ron's 6th recording, 2008's *The Bestseller*, has been generating lots of buzz. "Splendid... killer playing!" –*Toronto Sun*. **Best of 2008: JAZZ.FM, Soundproofmagazine. No. 1 on Earshot's and Chart Attack's national jazz radio charts.**

Ron's other recordings have been internationally acclaimed. His 2007 *Subarashii Live* is a nod to Japan, where Ron spent several months as a Visiting Scholar and an Arts Fellow. **Number 1 on Chart Attack's national jazz radio charts. "Overall rating: awesome!" –WholeNote Magazine.**

Shimmering Rhythm (2005), a brilliant blend of jazz, classical, klezmer and world music, is "A tour de force ten times over!" –*All About Jazz*, "Outstanding, fresh and life affirming... one of the most enjoyable jazz releases of 2005" –*Zeitgeist*. **Top 10 of 2005 –CBC, JAZZ.FM, CODA Magazine.**

Mungle Music (2004): "A brilliant album!" –*The Live Music Report*. **Best of 2004 –CBC Radio and CODA Magazine.** *So Much* (2003) with singer Lori Cullen: nominated **Jazz Recording of the Year** for the *Canadian Independent Music Awards*. *Cdbaby.com* chose it as a "jaw dropping" front page choice.

Ron hosts and performs in the influential jazz series *Ron Davis and Friends* at Canada's historic Old Mill Inn. He writes the keyboard column for *Canadian Musician* magazine, while overseeing his *Playing Along to Surpass* business workshops (www.playingalongtosurpass.com). Ron has begun *Symphronica* (www.symphronica.com), new collaborations with symphony orchestras that bring a new dimension to his unique sound.

Ron studied music in his teens with the late **Darwyn Aitken**, a pupil of classical great David Saperton and jazz legend Oscar Peterson. Ron also studied at the Royal Conservatory of Music. Ron has had other lives: as a lawyer, and as an Assistant Professor at the University of Toronto, where he earned a PhD in French linguistics.

Ron's community work includes serving on the Executive of the *Glenn Gould Foundation*. He is involved in many charities, including *Peacebuilders International*, and *Feed the Hungry*, and as co-Producer of *Jazz for Herbie*, an annual benefit for the *SickKids Hospital Foundation*, helping for children in medical need.

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"One of Canada's
A-List pianists..."

CFRB

"One of Canada's hottest
acts in both bop and pop
circles for many years, and
it's obvious why."

CNET

"One of the most versatile
artists around!"

TANDEM MAGAZINE

"I want to tell the Canadian
people: I hope you go and
enjoy the Ron Davis Trio!"

ARTPLEX KUMAMOTO, JAPAN

"A trio destined for longevity
and well-deserved plaudits!"

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