

George Winston

SOLO PIANO DANCE CONCERT

George Winston has recently been playing more solo piano dances, which feature New Orleans R&B piano, slow dance songs, and more. His main influences for this way of playing are:

1. New Orleans pianist **James Booker** (1939-1983), who was the first one to take R&B, Soul, New Orleans music, the Blues, the Professor Longhair influence, and more, and make a whole new solo piano style out of those traditions;
2. **Professor Longhair** (1918-1980), the founder of the New Orleans R&B piano scene in the late 1940's.

Also inspiring him are the New Orleans R&B/Jazz pianist **Henry Butler**, as well as New Orleans pianists **Dr. John**, and **John Cleary**, and many other New Orleans pianists.

George is working on interpreting pieces for the dances by many of his favorite composers including Vince Guaraldi, Professor Longhair, the Doors, Sam Cooke, Al Kooper, Dr. John, Henry Butler, James Booker, Jon Cleary, and many others.

George's albums available tonight include:

1. LINUS & LUCY - THE MUSIC OF VINCE GUARALDI, VOL. 1 (1996)
2. LOVE WILL COME—THE MUSIC OF VINCE GUARALID, VOL. 2 (2010)
3. NIGHT DIVIDES THE DAY - THE MUSIC OF THE DOORS (2002), which evolved out of arranging Doors songs as part of the repertoire for the solo piano dances
4. GULF COAST BLUES & IMPRESSIONS - A HURRICANE RELIEF BENEFIT (2006)
5. GULF COAST BLUES & IMPRESSIONS 2 - LOUISIANA WETLANDS BENEFIT (2012)
6. HARMONICA SOLOS (2012)



GEORGE WINSTON DISCOGRAPHY

Solo Piano Albums:

1. **SPRING CAROUSEL—A CANCER RESEARCH BENEFIT** (2015 release)
2. **AUTUMN** (1980)
3. **DECEMBER** (1982)
4. **WINTER INTO SPRING** (1982)
5. **SUMMER** (1991)
6. **FOREST** (1994)
7. **PLAINS** (1999)
8. **MONTANA—A LOVE STORY** (2004)

9. **NIGHT DIVIDES THE DAY—THE MUSIC OF THE DOORS** (2002)
10. **LINUS & LUCY—THE MUSIC OF VINCE GUARALDI** (1996)
11. **LOVE WILL COME—THE MUSIC OF VINCE GUARALDI, VOL. 2** (2010)
12. **GULF COAST BLUES & IMPRESSIONS—A HURRICANE RELIEF BENEFIT** (2006)
13. **GULF COAST BLUES & IMPRESSIONS 2—A LOUISIANA WETLANDS BENEFIT** (2012)
14. **BALLADS AND BLUES 1972** (1972)

BENEFIT EP:

- **REMEMBRANCE—A MEMORIAL BENEFIT** (2001)

SOUNDTRACK ALBUMS:

- **THE VELVETEEN RABBIT** (1984)
- **SADAKO AND THE THOUSAND PAPER CRANES** (1995)

HARMONICA ALBUM:

- **HARMONICA SOLOS** (2012)