





Track listing

- 1. Crossing the Border (4:16)
- 2. Come On (4:17)
- 3. Dre's Funk (4:22)
- 4. I Will Love You (the wedding song) feat Jamie Knight (3:53)
- 5. Marvin's Medley (4:03)
- 6. Night Flight (3:40)
- 7. Caution (3:58)
- 8. Curiosity (3:25)
- 9. Do You Remember feat Naomi Emanuel (3:59)
- 10. What If feat. Janice Dempsey (3:29)

- ANDRE WARD -

□Hush Music/Orpheus Enterprises has been at the forefront of Smooth Jazz for over 30 years. Having introduced the careers of the genre's top artists such as Najee, Kenny G, and Alex Bugnon, the label continues its long-standing legacy with the latest release from Andre Ward. Smooth Jazz's top saxophonist is changing the atmosphere by fusing the elements of traditional Jazz, R&B, Funk, Hip-Hop and Pop into an explosive sound that is incomparable. A master of the soprano, alto and tenor saxophone, flute and EWI (electronic wind instrument), the multi-dimensional musician is reinventing the genre with the release of his new album, **CAUTION**.

Born and raised on the West Side of Chicago, Andre was introduced to music at an early age. "When I was 12 years-old, I met the drums and started playing the snare drums for about six months, then courted the trumpet for three months, but when I picked-up the saxophone, I fell in love and the eternal union began," reveals the musician.

Similar to his musical inspirations Grover Washington Jr., Charlie Parker and Cannonball Adderley, Andre's study of music and its many different intricacies enabled him to perfect a traditional jazz sound enhanced by his distinctive creative flair. Bestowed with a music performing scholarship at the renowned Berklee College of Music in Boston, Andre continued to pursue his passion by building a resume that rivaled his contemporaries. Having toured and worked with some of the biggest names in music, his dynamic performances have captivated audiences worldwide by creating an environment of smooth, sweet, hypnotic, sounds that seem surreal.

Fueled by passion, creativity, and pure talent, expectations became reality when Andre's debut album, FEELIN YOU, reached a top five position on Billboard's Contemporary Jazz Chart. But it didn't stop there. His sophomore album, STEPPIN UP, peaked in the top ten and it was no coincidence coming from Chicago, "The Stepper's Capitol," that his cover of R. Kelly's hit, "Step In The Name of Love," became his first single to cross genre lines. It broadened Andre's fan base to include both R&B and Hip-Hop enthusiasts. With his third release, CRYSTAL CITY, he continued to top the charts while receiving rave reviews and the growth and innovative approach showcased on his previous projects continued to be consistent.

Now with his latest release, **CAUTION**, Andre continues to take you on a musical journey, with an even deeper understanding of where he has evolved as both a musician and as a person. A product of Queen of Sheba Ent./Hush Music/Orpheus Enterprises, **CAUTION** is a groundbreaking masterpiece executive produced by Beau Huggins. "From Najee to our collaboration with super producer, Rahni Song, Hush Music/Orpheus Enterprises name has been synonymous with quality music," stated Beau. "Young, accomplished and edgy, Andre continues to build on the foundation laid by his label's predecessors. This is not only the evolution of Andre, but of the label itself."

CAUTION invites music lovers to a magical place that shines with unusual brilliance, where Andre is the tour guide. The musical journey begins with the meaningful, "Crossing the Border," which is not only about moving through different cycles of life but about breaking musical borders by incorporating African and Latin sounds. It's followed by the feel-good "Come On," a conversation of two melodies sharing one moment. Then the infectious "Dre's Funk" follows, fusing old-school funk with modern rhythms and elements of Jazz.

The journey continues with the new classic, "I Will Love You (The Wedding Song)," featuring the sweet vocals of Jamie Knight. The first single off the album, "Marvin's Medley," is an upbeat homage to one of the most extraordinary songwriters and musicians of his time, Marvin Gaye. From upbeat to smoothedout, Andre features the flute on the dreamy, "Night Flight." The union of the soft high flute with the low tenor sax makes for an intimate musical conversation.

His artistry is further showcased on "Caution," which takes on a positive attitude, not only in its' melody but also in its' meaning; one should take their time to slow down and enjoy life. And as a seasoned artist with four albums to his name, Andre's approach is not about fear but about taking the time to be creative.

The depth of Andre's musical skills continues to shine throughout the album. The EWI takes center stage on "Curiosity" by bridging the gap of modern technology and traditional instruments. And the beautiful voice of Naomi Emmanuel is featured on, "Do You Remember," a catchy throwback tune that will have you reminiscing on just how good music made you feel.

Andre finishes it off with "What If," a thought-provoking song accented by the vocal stylings of Janice Dempsey. Not only a song about self reflection and gratitude but one that gives a musical nod to all the jazz greats that Andre studied and admired with it's structure and arrangement.

Andre Ward continues to evolve into the type of musician that truly lives for the love of making music that respects the past, yet steps into the future. And with his newest release, he continues to do just that. **CAUTION** is the perfect escape that will continue to keep Smooth Jazz on the map.

Billboard biz Top Contemporary Jazz Albums 2002-02-16

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This Week	Last Week	Two Weeks Ago	Weeks on Chart	Title, Artist Imprint Catalog No. Distributing Label	Peak Position	
				* * * NO. 1 * * *		
1	1	1	15	Ride, Boney James	1	
				Warner Bros. 48004 17.98 CD		
				Hidden Beach Recordings Presents: Unwrapped Vol. 1, Various		
2	2	2	18	Artists	1	
				Hidden Beach 85653* Epic 17.98 EQ CD		
2	NEW		1	Uberjam, The John Scofield Band	3	
3	INLAN	IVEW		Verve 589356 VG 18.98 CD		
<mark>4</mark> 6	l l <mark>e</mark>	Q	11	Feelin' You, Andre Ward	1	
	<u> </u>	<u>U</u>		Orpheus 70579 16.98 CD	<u> </u>	
5 3	3	5	4	Rendezvous, Walter Beasley	3	
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6 5	5	4	14	Night Sessions, Chris Botti	4	
	•		Columbia 85753* CRG 12.98 EQ CD	<u> </u>		
7	4	3	18	Glow, Peter White	2	
	7 0			Columbia 85212 CRG 18.98 EQ CD		
8	9	7	19	AArt, Acoustic Alchemy	3	
		•		Higher Octave 11103 Virgin		
9	7	6	19	Hypnotic, Paul Taylor	6	
		•		Peak 8506 Concord		
10	12	12	29	Deep Blue, Keiko Matsui	1	
	1	-		Narada Jazz 10264 Virgin 16.98 CD	1	

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This Week	Last Week	Two Weeks Ago	Weeks on Chart	Title, Artist Imprint Catalog No. Distributing Label	Peak Position		
1	1	1	111	* * * NO. 1 * * * Come Away With Me, Norah Jones ≜8 Blue Note 32088* 17.98 CD	1		
2	4	4	44	Ultimate Kenny G, Kenny G BMG Heritage 50997 RMG 12.98/18.98	2		
3	2	3	26	Emotions, Will Downing GRP 000529 VG 12.98 CD	2		
4	3	2	3	Confidential, Peter White Columbia 89090 Sony Music 18.98 EQ CD	2		
5	5	5	5	Livin' Large, Euge Groove Narada Jazz 97227 Narada	4		
<mark>6</mark>	11		<mark>2</mark>	Steppin' Up, Andre Ward Award 90934 Orpheus 14.98 CD	<mark>6</mark>		
7	7	8	27	Saxophonic, Dave Koz Capitol 34226 18.98 CD	2		
8	8	7	28	A Thousand Kisses Deep, Chris Botti Columbia 90535 Sony Music 18.98 EQ CD	3		
9	10	11	7	Up Front, Paul Brown GRP 000861 VG	7		

Billboard biz Top Contemporary Jazz 2007-05-26

This Week	Last Week	Two Weeks Ago		Title, Artist Imprint Catalog No. Distributing Label	Peak Position
1	1	2	3	* * * NO. 1 * * * Stay, Simply Red	1
2	3	3	30	simplyred.com 89935 16.98 Givin' It Up, George Benson & Al Jarreau Monster 2316 Concord 18.98	1
3	2	1	3	Stay With Me, Norman Brown Peak 30218 Concord 18.98	1
4	4	6		I'm In The Mood For LoveThe Most Romantic Melodies Of All Time, Kenny G Arista 82690 RMG 18.98	1
5	5	5	15	At The Movies, Dave Koz Capitol 11405 18.98	1
6	7	7	7	You Are My Lady, Kim Waters Shanachie 5147 18.98	2
7	8	9	33	Shine, Boney James Concord 30049 18.98	1
8	9	<mark>11</mark>	3	Crystal City, Andre Ward Hush 959 Orpheus 13.98	8
9	6	4	3	Moyo, Keiko Matsui Shout! Factory 10479 Sony Music 18.98	4
10	12	16	3	En Route, Four80East Native Language 966 16.98	10



Billboard Contemporary Jazz Chart (issue date 03/30/2013)

LAST WEEK	THIS WEEK	ARTIST IMPRINT/DISTRIBUTING LABEL	Title	WKS. ON CHART
NEW	1	ANDRE WARD QUEEN OF SHEBA/HUSH/ORPH	Caution	1
NEW	2	PHIL PERRY SHANACHIE	Say Yes	1
2	3	JEFFREY OSBORNE STAR VISTA/SAGUARO ROAD RHYTHM/S	A Time For Love	7
5	4	JOSE JAMES BLUE NOTE	No Beginning No End	8
1	5	PAUL HARDCASTLE TRIPPIN 'N' RHYTHM	Paul Hardcastle: VII	4
NEW	6	SPENCER DAY	The Mystery Of You	1
3	7	MARION MEADOWS LISTEN Z/SHANACHIE	Whisper	3
4	8	ESPERANZA SPALDING MONTUNO/HEADS UP/CONCORD	Radio Music Society	53
19	9	ROB WHITE QUEEN OF SHEBA/HUSH/ORPHEUS	Just Kickin' It	35
6	10	BRIAN CULBERTSON VERVE/VG	Dreams	40
22	11	RAHNI SONG QUEEN OF SHEBA/Y3K/HUSH	Breakin' The Rules	43
8	12	KAT EDMONSON SPINNERETTE	Way Down Low	43
25	13	PETER WHITE HEADS UP/CONCORD	Here We Go	53
10	14	EUGE GROOVE SHANACHIE	House Of Groove	25
14	15	GERALD ALBRIGHT / NOI	RMAN BROWN 24/7	39

Music Samples (click on titles below to play samples)

- 1. Marvin's Medley
- 2. Hudson River Drive
- 3. Crossing The Border
- 4. New Orleans Lights

Live Performance Footage

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