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Gabriel Mark Hasselbach

trumpet, flugelhorn, flute, valve 'bone, evi
Windtunnel Records Recording Artist

Gabriel's new album **OPEN INVITATION** builds on the successes of 2012's tour de force **KISSED BY THE SUN** and 2010's Canadian Smooth Jazz Awards Album of the Year **TOLD YA SO**, which yielded four Top Twenty Billboard hits.

OPEN INVITATION launches like a rocket with the powerpacked first single **PROPULSION**, featuring the soaring piano of chart topper Greg Manning. Gabriel is 'all systems go' and ignites the fuse with his fiery trumpet and spacious flute.

Other guests joining Gabriel on **OPEN INVITATION** include Bob Baldwin (who featured Gabriel on his hits *Seabreeze* and *Chameleon 3000*), Cal Harris Jr (*Shelter Island*), Bob Mintzer (*Yellowjackets*), Rock Hendricks (*Paul Hardcastle*), etc.

Gabriel was born and raised in Denver, Colorado, but lives and works out of Vancouver, Phoenix, and New Orleans. He has steadily built up a solid body of work, with over a dozen albums under his own name, and many more with other artists. He has toured the world, such as Montreux (Switzerland), North Sea (Holland), JVC, Japan, Singapore, Philippines, Mexico, Canada, and the US, and continues to develop his fanbase through live appearances, extensive radio and TV exposure, and the ongoing social media networking of his fans. He is at home in small group or big band, and all styles of jazz.

Gabriel has recorded or performed with the likes of such varied artists as Michael Bublé (Gabriel performed with him extensively, recorded several albums with him, and produced the MB album 'Dream'), Bob James, Jeff Lorber, Paul Brown, Ernie Watts, Greg Manning, Chuck Loeb, Brian Bromberg, Little Richard, George Benson, John Denver, Tom Scott, The O'Jays, Gino Vanelli, Heart, Darren Rahn, Marc Antoine, John Lee Hooker, and Long John Baldry. Recent collaborations include feature trumpet on Paul Hardcastle's 'VII', and recent releases by Bob Baldwin, Steve Oliver, Rob Tardik, and Rock Hendricks.

Besides a JUNO Award (Canadian equivalent of a Grammy), two JUNO/Technics 'All Star Band' Awards, a West Coast Music Award, a Jazz In The Park 'Best Instrumental Performance' Award, an Ampex Golden Reel Award, and several gold and platinum albums to his credit (with his earlier group Powder Blues and others), 2011 saw Gabriel win both prestigious 'Album of the Year' and 'Instrumentalist of the Year' awards at the Canadian Smoothies for his tour de force 'Told Ya So'.

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