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★★★★★ **How far can a drummer go? This far!**

By [Grady Harp](#) [HALL OF FAME](#) [TOP 100 REVIEWER](#) [VINE VOICE](#) on May 22, 2013

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Jack Mouse is mighty - on the drums, on technique and on assembling a group of pros to bring this body of unique music together. There is a mixture of the hot new sound with an equal dose of nostalgic tunes that defy the listener to sit still.

This is big sound jazz with a touch of Blue Note sound and despite the fact that the quintet numbers only five members, the manner in which they attack and play with the songs here makes it sound like a big band. Jack and his comrades take turns in the spotlight and nowhere is that more evident than in the luminous "Loose Weave", perhaps the most adventurous piece as a free form duet between Mouse with long time friend and saxophone player Scott Robinson. It is a perfect last song on this well planned set.

The personnel who perform her are Scott Robinson, tenor and soprano saxophones and flute, Art Davis, trumpet & flugelhorn, John McLean, guitar, Bob Bowman, bass, Kelly Sill, bass, and of course Jack Mouse, drums. These men musically join together or separate into pairs or stand alone and offer the following tracks:

- LaPorta
- Slow Helen
- Winterset
- Hip Check
- Raucous Caucus
- The Breezeling
- Mean Streak
- Prairie Dance
- Manne-Rism
- Loose Weave

This quintet plays their hearts out and bring it right off the surface in to the space where magic dwells. Grady Harp, May 13

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