

SUNNA GUNNLAUGS TRIO

Her trio with bassist **Toggi Jónsson** and long-time cohort, **Scott McLemore** on drums is exceptionally democratic and rich in its approach with melodic intricacy and sensitivity while pushing dynamic boundaries. Her albums have received extremely positive reviews in leading jazz magazines across the world such as Jazzthetik and Jazzpodium in Germany, Concerto in Austria, Jazzwize in the UK, Jazzman in France, Swing Journal & Tokyo Jazz Notes in Japan, Downbeat in the US, online publication All About Jazz and many more. All her albums have been nominated for the Icelandic Music Awards and in 2013 and again in 2019 she won **performer of the year**. She has performed at prestigious festivals such as JazzAhead in Bremen, the Kennedy Center's Nordic Cool, The London Jazz Festival, The Oslo Jazz Festival, The Rochester International Jazz Festival, Vancouver International Jazz Festival, Montreal International Jazz Festival, Rotterdam International Jazz Festival and the Belgrade Jazz Festival. She has also performed at Europe's most important jazz clubs such as Porgy & Bess in Vienna, Unterfahrt in Munich, Bimhuis in Amsterdam and Sunset in Paris to name a few.

The Washington Post described her (Sunna) music as possessing "such timeless virtues as lyricism and grace... elegantly bridges soul-searching passages with uncluttered swing." John Kelman for All About Jazz said "Gunnlaugs proves that jazz can have a wider appeal without **losing integrity**."