

CAMILLE THURMAN

Saxophonist, Flutist, Vocalist, Composer & Educator

Camille Thurman, multitalented saxophonist, flutist, vocalist, composer and educator is a young musician emerging on the horizon, acquiring an impressive list of accomplishments that extend well beyond her years. Her lush, velvety, rich & warm sound on the tenor saxophone has eluded others to compare her sound to the likeness of tenor greats Gene Ammons, Dexter Gordon and Lester Young to name a few. Camille's ability to sing 4 octaves and perform vocalese has given her the capability to influence audiences with melodies reminiscent to the sounds of Minnie Riperton, Ella Fitzgerald and Sarah Vaughan. Her ability to take the sounds evocative of yesteryear's legends and creatively pair them with the nuances, edge ad freshness of today's music has not only expanded the possibilities of jazz in the the upcoming generation but also gained her the respect of audiences in Israel, Switzerland and around the world.

An accomplished performer and composer in her own right, Camille has shared the stage with **Dr. Billy Taylor**, **Benny Golson**, **Chaka Khan**, **Alicia Keys** and many other jazz and R&B icons. Camille leads her own quartet, which has toured Russia, performed at the International Women in Jazz Festival, the Super Jazz Ashdod Israel Jazz Festival and many others around the world. She has appeared on **BET's Black Girls Rock** as the saxophonist in the All Star Band and has performed at venues including the Kennedy Center, Lincoln Center, and the Jazz Standard, just to name a few. Camille released two albums on the Hot Tone Music Label –*Origins* and *Spirit Child*. She is truly a rising star.