

## PRESS RELEASE

**“Close Your Eyes” – Laura Cesar’s band JazzImpuls is back on stage with a new program and a new CD**

Laura Cesar - Bandleader/Bass  
Carlo Schöb - Saxophone/Flute  
Beat Baumli - Guitar  
Pius Baschnagel – Drums

**“Close your Eyes” – their recently released CD and their current program share the title and more: JazzImpuls comes out with a brilliant collection of standards and modern pieces composed by *women in jazz* – newly arranged and compellingly interpreted. Two original compositions by Laura Cesar and Beat Baumli complete the new repertoire.**

JazzImpuls, in their formation as quartet, dedicate the core of their program to celebrating women composers’ rich contribution to the world of jazz. The selection ranges from the beginnings in the 1920s to contemporary jazz. Newly arranged and interpreted, familiar standards like Lil Armstrong’s “Struttin’ with some barbecue” or Billie Holiday’s “God bless the child” resound as fresh and fascinating as more recent pieces like “Blues for Herb” by guitarist Emily Remler or “Blue Nile” by Alice Coltrane. The band’s creative and timeless style not only captivates the audience – their new program also opens eyes, ears and the heart for the music of women in jazz which so far has either remained largely unheard or underestimated.