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ARTIST: GEORGE FREEMAN

TITLE: Everybody Say Yeah!

The BEST of SOUTHPORT, REMASTERED
plus a New Recording* and Unreleased Tracks**
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Guitarist George Freeman is jazz history. The vibrant and iconoclastic guitar legend looks forward to his 95th birthday on April 10, 2022 and a new CD documenting his recordings from Southport Records that span twenty-six years of music from our "Real Jazz Made In Chicago" catalog. Eleven of the fourteen songs are Freeman's originals.

His memories burn bright, from a childhood surrounded by jazz greats Louis Armstrong and Fats Waller that would stop by his Chicago home for a visit and to play the piano. His life in music has taken him around the world, but home and family in Chicago is where his heart is. Growing up with his eldest brother and drummer Eldridge (known as Bruz) and Von on the tenor saxophone, George was destined to forge his own unique sound on the guitar.

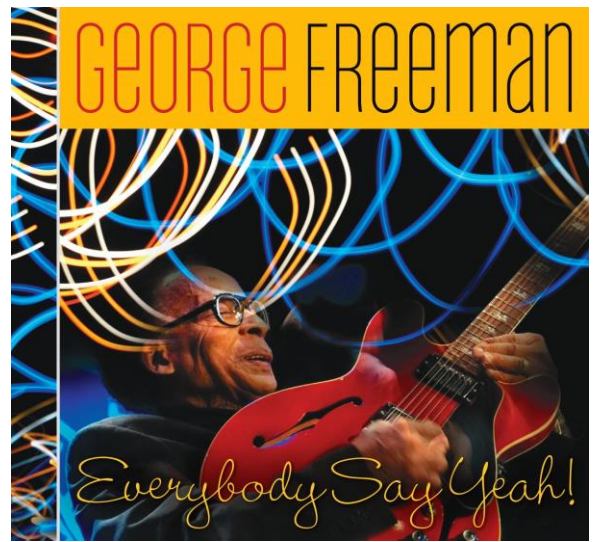
George Freeman recorded a date with Charlie Parker "An Evening In Chicago" (Savoy 1950.) He remembers a time when Bird wouldn't go onstage without him. As a spirited side man, Freeman has worked with a roster of jazz greats, from Gene Ammons and Richard "Groove" Holmes to Johnny Griffin and Dinah Washington.

"Freeman toned everything down with his ballad "Perfume," a testament to the poetry he's capable of. Beyond the lyric beauty of the song itself, Freeman caressed its motifs as only a very seasoned musician could, the feathery quality of his tone matched by the tenderness of his phrasing."

Howard Reich, Chicago Tribune



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George Freeman begins his shows with a call to the audience: *"Everybody Say Yeah!"*

The audience joins in, waiting to respond again to:
"Everybody say Hell Yeah!"

Hear George Shout:
"Play the CD and Let's Get Started!"

George Freeman, Electric Guitar on All Tracks

1. Peak (4:34) feat. Alejo Poveda & Ruben Alvarez
 2. There Will Never Be Another You (7:55)
 3. My Scenery (4:23) feat. Chico Freeman
 4. It's Cha Time! (4:04) feat. Eldee Young
 5. Summertime** (9:43) feat. Joanie Pallatto
 6. George Burns! (5:55)
 7. Gorgeous George (7:20) feat. John Devlin
 8. Vonski (5:00) feat. Von Freeman
 9. Cha Cha Blue (3:42) feat. Billy Branch
 10. Manteca** (7:29)
 11. Perfume* (4:13) feat. Mike Allemana
 12. A Mother's Love (5:13)
 13. Marko (2:37) feat Harrison Bankhead
 14. Low Funk (6:05) feat. Tatsu Aoki
- TOTAL RUN TIME 78:43



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