

## Media Release – 1 Aug 2013

**Finnish Doctor of Jazz – eminent alto-saxophonist and head of the Sibelius Jazz Academy: Dr Jari Perkiömäki visits Australia in August as an artist in residence at UTAS Hobart Conservatorium.**



Finnish saxophonist **Jari Perkiömäki** is a highly respected jazz musician, who successfully combines all levels of musicianship in his career. On stage he is a fine sounding sax man, as a composer he feels mostly home with modern bebop flavor, and as an educator and Doctor of Music he leads the Sibelius Academy jazz department in Helsinki – **[www.jariperkiomaki.com](http://www.jariperkiomaki.com)**

Dr **Perkiömäki** will be at UTAS conservatorium of music in Hobart for a week (5-10 August) and will be working with staff and students as an artist in residence. This will include specialist sax workshops, improv workshops and performance classes. 'It is hoped that we can continue the relationship with Jari into the future and develop more collaborative projects', says **Nick Haywood**, senior lecturer, bassist and co-ordinator of Contemporary Music at the UTAS Con.

### Concerts:

**Jari Perkiömäki** can be heard in concert in **Hobart** on **Friday August 9** at the **Hobart Con Recital Hall** at 8.00 pm – Tickets \$20/\$10 at the door. Jari will also perform in **Melbourne** on **Sunday August 11, at Bennetts Lane** at 9.00 pm as part of the Melbourne Jazz Co-operative program, together with Nick Haywood on bass, Colin Hopkins on piano and Tony Floyd on drums – Tickets \$15/\$12.

**Jari Perkiömäki** toured Australia in 1998 with the **Mike Nock Five**, a combined Australian and Nordic ensemble visiting all capital cities.

*'...Jari's saxophone is constantly pushing at the barriers, seeking new avenues of expression whilst keeping in touch with the tradition..'* - Derek Ansell (Jazz Journal, London)

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