Ryan Cohan Sextet

Ensemble members:  
Ryan Cohan—piano (composer)  
Bob Sheppard—woodwinds 1  
Geof Bradfield—woodwinds 2  
Tito Carrillo—trumpet/flugelhorn  
Lorin Cohen—bass  
Kobie Watkins—drums

Title of the commissioned work:  
One Sky: Tone Poems For Humanity

Instrumentation:  
Piano, Woodwinds1(Tenor & Soprano Saxophones, Flute), Woodwinds2(Tenor & Soprano Saxophones, Bass Clarinet), Trumpet/Flugelhorn, Acoustic Bass, Drums

Composer’s Statement:  
"One Sky" is a four movement suite that blurs the line between detailed composition and fertile, open improvisational terrain for the soloists and rhythm section to explore anew on each performance. Well informed by the jazz tradition, the modern harmonic and orchestral colors along with a variety of world rhythms, grooves, tempi, and moods serve to direct the suite's themes.

Length of the work:  
32 minutes

Recording:  
One Sky, Motema  
Available October 2, 2007. For advanced copies: please contact the artist directly or Motema records at www.motema.com.

Stated Technical Requirements:  
tuned grand piano, bass amp, drum kit, sound reinforcement for horn front line(2 woodwind players doubling on tenor/soprano saxophones, flute and bass clarinet, and a trumpet/flugelhorn player), 5 monitors, 11 music stands

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