Drew Gress' 7 Black Butterflies

Ensemble members: Dew Gress--bass (composer)
Ralph Alessi--trumpet
Tim Berne--saxophone
Craig Taborn--Piano
Tom Rainey--drums

Title of the commissioned work: Rothkosonic--music from the paintings

Instrumentation: bass; trumpet; saxophone; Piano; drums.

Composer's Statement:
"Rothkosonic is a suite composed in nine movements, each a distinct perspective on color. The project strives to explore the textural and timbral possibilities that have largely gone unexplored to date in the world of small group jazz writing. The goal is to expand the jazz vocabulary, rather than to recreate or negate it's use. The project will be recorded in August 2006."

Length of the work: 1'30" Minutes
Recording: Available. Please contact the artist directly.

Stated Technical Requirements:
"There are no extraordinary technical requirements necessary to stage this piece. The usual instrumental and sound system needs are really the only technical assistance necessary."

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