

UNCOOL – ARTISTS IN RESIDENCE

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SONG YI JEON

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South Korean modern jazz singer and composer Song Yi Jeon is known for her hypnotic voice that is likened to a malleable wordless instrument, as well as for her incomparable improvisations. Song Yi's music is heavily influenced by instrumental jazz, and her refined compositions have a clear musical direction with her signature 'East meets West' sound.

Song Yi Jeon released her mini-album *Straight* with her Quintet in 2015, followed by her debut album *Movement of Lives* in 2018. In November 2022, Jeon released the duo album *Home* with guitarist Vinicius Gomes on Dave Douglas' Greenleaf Music label receiving the ratings of 4.5 by the *downbeat* magazine, and most recently in August 2023 she released a piano voice duo album *Lawless Heart* with LA based pianist Vardan Ovsepien.

EUGENIA CHOE

<http://www.eugeniachoe.com/about-1>

A Korean-American Jazz pianist and composer, Eugenia Choe is one of the most respected musicians of her generation. Having spent her early childhood in South Korea and her formative years in L.A., Atlanta, Chicago, and New York, Eugenia has been in the unique position of having an intimate connection with different cultures. This has helped her develop her unique style of composition and improvisation. A promising young composer, Eugenia has already received accolades for her debut trio album, *Magic Light*. In addition to composing and leading her trio, Eugenia has been performing with many accomplished musicians in her field as an accompanist and sideman in jazz venues in New York and abroad. She is undoubtedly becoming a household name in the music scene.

Since her successful debut album in 2016, Eugenia has been an artist with SteepleChase Records. Also, her new upcoming album, *So We Speak*, will be released on Sunnyside Records in 2024.

On the 17th of February Eugenia Choe and Song Yi Jeon will present a diverse programme filled with new repertoire which were written during the Uncool residency in Poschiavo and old repertoire which they recorded together recently for Eugenia Choe's next album.