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**PILOO RECORDS TO RELEASE A CD/DVD SET**

**RANDY BRECKER'S**

**THE BRECKER BROTHERS BAND REUNION**

with

**DAVID SANBORN**  
**MIKE STERN**  
**WILL LEE**  
**DAVE WECKL**  
**GEORGE WHITTY**  
**ADA ROVATTI**  
 and others...

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**New York, September 20, 2013** – Throughout the 1970s and 1980s, trumpeter Randy Brecker and his younger, sax-playing brother Michael helped define a sub-genre by blending sophisticated jazz harmonies and searing solos with slamming funk grooves and a visceral energy that grabbed rock ears. The Philly-born Brecker Brothers set the tone for a generation of aspiring musicians who followed.

"When the band started back in the day, the original intent was to do a Randy Brecker record," Randy explains. "We were rehearsing tunes every week with Michael, Don Grolnick, David Sanborn, Steve Khan, Chris Parker and Will Lee. Somehow, producer Steve Backer had gotten wind of the rehearsals. He knew of us - Michael and I had played together in Dreams, Billy Cobham's band and Horace Silver's quintet. He rang me and said, 'If you call this band The Brecker Brothers, I'll sign you tomorrow to Clive Davis' new label, Arista Records.'" Randy recalls his first inclination was to say no, because "I wanted to do my own record," but he ultimately relented. "And that's how this whole thing started."

Sadly, in 2005 Michael Brecker was diagnosed with the blood disorder myelodysplastic syndrome (MDS), and died from complications of leukemia on January 13, 2007.

During the process of assembling a band for a week-long engagement at New York City's Blue Note jazz club last year for a solo record, Randy realized that all the musicians he has contacted have played in various editions of The Brecker Brothers Band: bassist Will Lee (who served the earliest incarnation of the group in the mid-'70s), along with guitarist Mike Stern, keyboardist George Whitty and drummer Dave Weckl (veterans of the early '90s edition). Filling in for his late brother is saxophonist Ada Rovatti, an accomplished improviser and bandleader, also known as Randy's wife and the mother of their four-year-old daughter, Stella. "Here it is 30-some years later, I'm getting set to do another solo record, and the Brecker Brothers thing creeps in again," Randy says. "In fact," he continues, "the club billed it as 'Brecker Brothers Band Reunion'. At first I wasn't crazy about the idea. But the week was sold out, it became an *event*, and fans loved hearing the old tunes along with the new ones. I realized this band was my legacy."

This set of original compositions, among them tunes like "Some Skunk Funk" and "Straphangin", brings back the excitement of the 70s with the technological advances of the 21<sup>st</sup> century. Add to the mix, the appearance of Randroid, a vocalist fans of Randy Brecker will recognize.

Randy Brecker and former members of the studio and touring bands have reconvened to make new, exciting music. The story continues.

For further information, please visit <http://piloorecords.com>, [www.randybrecker.com](http://www.randybrecker.com) or [www.breckerbrothersband.com](http://www.breckerbrothersband.com).

**DISC 1 – CD, Studio Recording**

**TRACKS**

First Tune Of The Set  
Stellina  
The Dipshit  
Merry Go Town  
The Slag  
Really In For It  
Elegy For Mike  
On The Rise  
Adina  
R N Bee  
Musician's Ol' Lady Dues Blues

**DISC 2 – 98 minute DVD, Live at the Blue Note**

**TRACKS**

First Tune Of The Set  
The Slag  
Adina  
Really In For It  
Straphangin'  
Stellina  
Merry Go Town  
Inside Out  
Some Skunk Funk

**CD personnel:** Randy Brecker, David Sanborn, Will Lee, Adam Rogers, Rodney Holmes, Dean Brown, Mitch Stein, Chris Minh Doky, Ada Rovatti, Jim Campagnola, Oli Rockberger, George Whitty.

**DVD personnel:** Randy Brecker, Mike Stern, Will Lee, Dave Weckl, George Whitty, Ada Rovatti, Oli Rockberger.

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