

# SLIDE ATTACK

A JAZZ QUINTET FEATURING TROMBONISTS  
HOWARD LEVY & ALAN GOIDEL

## ABOUT

Slide Attack is a unique jazz quintet led by not one, but TWO trombonists, Alan Goidel and Howard Levy. Inspired by the group formerly led by J.J. Johnson and Kai Winding (Jai & Kai), Slide Attack continues in the tradition, right where Jai and Kai left off! This compelling ensemble plays modern arrangements of American songbook classics recognized by all types of audiences. In addition to their fresh take on standards, Slide Attack writes a wide array of original compositions ranging from energetic and fun uptempo works, to ballads that have been described as heartfelt, poignant and reflective.

The band's musical diversity not only satisfies jazz listeners but is also very accessible to listeners of all genres. These five musicians are some of the best on the Westchester and NYC scene, and have played legendary musicians and groups such as Chet Baker, Joe Lovano, Tony Bennett, Ron Carter, The Tommy Dorsey Orchestra, The Glenn Miller Orchestra, Vincent Herring, Jacki Byard, Patti LuPone, Lew Tabackin and many more. Slide Attack will make your foot tap and put a smile on your face!

## MUSIC



*"Finger Snapping Melodies" - RUSSELL TRUNK, EXCLUSIVE MAGAZINE*

Road Trip is comprised of nine original tunes by Howard Levy, Alan Goidel and Hiroshi Yamazaki. From straight ahead and Latin Jazz, to jazz rock, this album is ear catching, enjoyable, full of surprises and will put a smile on your face!

*"Mr. Levy and Mr. Goidel deserve our gratitude for keeping the tradition not only alive, but swinging!" - LOREN SCHOENBERG*

Slide Attack's Debut album is comprised of compositions from the jazz greats such as Hank Mobley, J.J. Johnson, Curtis Fuller and More! It features three original compositions written by Alan Goidel and Howard Levy.

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## PRESS REVIEWS

"Two of the best! Trombonists Alan Goidel and Howard Levy have both enjoyed successful and highly respected careers performing with the major orchestras of the US. The performance on this recording offers fresh arrangements of jazz, standards, popular songs, hard bop, and originals. Perky, full of zest, and rich in surprises, this is a very special album that shines on every level."

GRADY HARP, TOP 100 REVIEWER OF [AMAZON](#)

"... Alan Goidel and Howard Levy bring grace and beauty to and through the big horns in compositions that are fun, joyful, and brilliant."

TRAVIS L ROGERS JR., [THE SENTINEL](#)

"Slide Attack blends elements of vintage and modern jazz as they play fast and fluidly through nine original compositions. Goidel and Levy are straight-forward, unpretentious players who emphasize sensibility over flamboyance. Together, the two-trombone quintet features pliable musicians who work well together. They also show how that instrument can be centerstage and plugged into more than just nostalgic traditional arrangements."

JOE ROSS, [ROOTS MUSIC REPORT](#)

"Sweet slidin' jazz. There's nothing more invigorating for this reviewer than waking up to that good ol' sweet slidin' jazz... trombonists Alan Goidel and Howard Levy lead this fantastically talented quintet. I give Howard, Alan and all the players a MOST HIGHLY RECOMMENDED rating, with an "EQ" (energy quotient) score of 4.98."

DICK METCALF, EDITOR, [CONTEMPORARY FUSION REVIEWS](#)

"Inspired by those cool Johnson/Winding blowing dates you found in your grandpa's basement that made you wonder why you didn't know he was so hip, this bone duo blows up a solid, straight ahead jazz storm that finds them in the company of a trio of cats that know how to make originals feel like chestnuts you just can't place. Fun stuff throughout, this can easily make your backyard a night out."

CHRIS SPECTOR, MIDWEST RECORD

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## ALAN GOIDEL

Alan Goidel is a graduate of the State University of New York at Fredonia, where he received a bachelor's degree in Music Education. He later attended the Manhattan School of Music where he received a master's degree in Jazz/Commercial Music Performance. Alan has been a freelance trombonist in the New York area where he has worked in many different musical settings.



He has toured with the Tommy Dorsey Orchestra, The Glenn Miller Orchestra, The Larry Elgart Orchestra, and The Four Freshman. Alan has also performed with Jacki Byard and the Apollo Stompers, The Harold Ousley Big Band, Jay Black and the Americans, numerous Latin bands, Club Date bands, regional pit orchestras, jazz combos and symphony orchestras. In addition to performing, Alan has been an educator helping young musicians for many years. He was the Band Director at Ardsley High School in Westchester, NY. for 29 years, where he conducted the Concert Band, Wind Ensemble, Jazz Ensemble, Jazz Combo, gave lessons and taught music theory. Alan continues to teach privately, and when not performing with Slide Attack, Alan freelances throughout the tri-State area.

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## HOWARD LEVY

Howard Levy is a graduate of the Manhattan School of Music where he received a Bachelor of Music in Trombone Performance and has received a MAT degree from Lehman College in the arts and music. Howard has been performing as a trombonist in the NY tri-state area for many years. He has performed with some of the industry's top professionals, with credits including the American Jazz Orchestra at Cooper Union, the Larry Elgart Orchestra, the Stan Rubin

Orchestra, the Smithsonian Masterworks Orchestra, the Treasure House Chamber Orchestra, the Yonkers Philharmonic, and the Concord Hotel Orchestra, where he was honored to perform with some of the nation's biggest stars such as Tony Bennett, Donna Summer, The Four Tops and Shirley Bassey. In addition, Howard toured with the Broadway shows *Makin' Whoopee* and *Chicago*, and is a veteran of several Club Date and Latin Bands.

Along with his performance career, he is a veteran music teacher of 30 years, 28 of those years as the Band Director at Blind Brook High School in Rye Brook, NY where he taught Wind Ensemble, Concert Band, Jazz Ensemble, Jazz Combo, Chamber Ensemble and Music Technology. Howard continues to teach privately and is a freelance trombonist in and around the NY tri-state area.



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