

## **CD Review Form**

**Name of Artist:**

**Name of Album:**

**Album #:**

**Label:**

**Date Recorded or Remastered:**

**Tunes or compositions:**

**Musicians: (both principal and supporting)**

**Summary: 500 word minimum**

### **Possible summary focuses:**

- \* Period in which the music represents
- \* Who does the artist influence? Or are they influenced? And why?
- \* What is the instrumentation? How does the instrumentation affect mood and timbre?
- \* Are there general characteristics that make the style of music identifiable? For i.e., does it swing? Or is influenced by Rock and technology? Latin based? Older style improvisational styles?
- \* Are there any obvious musical forms? (Blues and AABA)
- \* Is the music singable? If not, does it allow a listener multiple listenings?
- \* What moods are set on this recording? Where would be the best place for this music to be heard?
- \* Is there any social significance to this recording?
- \* Is this music reacting to any previous musical styles?
- \* How do the musicians react to one another? Does the shoe fit?
- \* Are there vocals? Does the text have any significance? Or is the text on these collections rather distant to the music being performed?
- \* Is this recording compositional or improvisational or both?