

Stefon Harris

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I love Amsterdam. The city is vibrant and alive. It's fresh and so open. It's definitely one of my favorite places.

~Stefon Harris

Every 'mistake' is an opportunity in jazz.

~Stefon Harris

I don't really see huge barriers between any styles of music. My definition of music is "organizing sound and silence into emotion," and that's a very broad definition.

~Stefon Harris

The bandstand is an incredible space. It is really a sacred space. One of the things that is really sacred about it is that you have no opportunity to think about the future, or the past.

~Stefon Harris

It's about being here in the moment, accepting one another and allowing creativity to flow.

~Stefon Harris

Being at home with my family always inspires me. I find it hard to be inspired when I'm on the move. I'm not creative when I'm jet-lagged and sleeping in strange hotels.

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I'm a spa person. Massages keep me relaxed, so I always try to make time for them when I tour.

~Stefon Harris

If you listen to the way I speak, I have a lot of rhythm, use a lot of

accents. When I'm playing my instrument, that concept comes through very clearly.

~Stefon Harris

I listen to a lot of singers, because I find phrasing to be one of the most essential elements of playing.

~Stefon Harris

What happens when an art form becomes ambiguous, I think, is that the standards are lowered. You can say anything is jazz. So I think it's important to reflect on what made jazz so special.

~Stefon Harris

Italy has great food and Barcelona has great energy

~Stefon Harris

I think when you look back at the different eras in jazz, what leads from one to another is never a melodic revolution, but a rhythmic revolution.

~Stefon Harris

Miles Davis is a major influence of mine in terms of the way that I am as a bandleader.

~Stefon Harris

I grew in the inner city, listening to Stevie Wonder, Donny Hathaway, James Brown, The Commodores - lots of soul music.

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