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Michael Arens' Interviews

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*artist or band was interviewed more than once

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Aaliyah (R.I.P.)

ABC

Barry Adamson

Tokunbo Akinro (Tok Tok Tok)

Gerald Albright

Laith Al-Deen

Rafael Alcántara

Simon Allen (The New Mastersounds)

Gerald Alston (The Manhattans)

Amerie

Amiaz

Roman Andrén

Ana Ann

India.Arie

Art Of Fresh

Asa

Günter Asbeck (The Jim Rockford Band)

Phil Asher

Johann Asmundsson (Mezzoforte)

Roy Ayers

Ayo.

Erykah Badu

Bahama Soul Club

Philip Bailey (Earth, Wind & Fire)

Arthur Baker

The Bamboos

Alexander Barck (Jazzanova)

Simon Bartholomew (Brand New Heavies)

Basement Jaxx

Josh Beagley (Confection)

Stephen Beasley (T Bird and The Breaks)

Michi "Hausmarke" Beck (Die Fantastischen Vier / Turntablerocker)

Beenie Man

B.E.F. (British Electric Foundation) (Glenn Gregory)

Robert "Kool" Bell (Kool & The Gang)

Rachael Bell

Oliver Belz (Bahama Soul Club / etc.)

George Benson

Beverly & Duane

Eric Bibb

John Bigham (aka John Black)
Bilal*
Rob Birch (Stereo MCs)
B.La (Cultured Pearls)
Jully Black
Leo Black (The Dynamites / etc.)
Black Coffee (Schwarzkafee)
Blacknuss Allstars
Blaze*
Block 16
Blumentopf
Boyz II Men
Brand New Heavies*
Rick Braun (BWB)
Bravehearts
Gulli Briem (Mezzoforte)
Brooklyn Funk Essentials
Buffalo Brothers
Solomon Burke (R.I.P.)
Jonathan Butler
BWB (Rick Braun, Kirk Whalum, Norman Brown)
Terry Callier
Capoeira Twins
Paul Carrack (Ace / Squeeze / Mike and The Mechanics / etc.)
Jeff Cascaro
Emilio Castillo (Tower Of Power)
Chidi
Tony Christie
City High
Ciyo
Cloud Fish
Billy Cobham
Frank Cochois (aka The Timewriter)
Dennis Coffey (Motown / The Funk Brothers / etc.)
Alexia Coley
Bootsy Collins (William "Bootsy" Collins)
The Commodores
Confection
Nicola Conte
Cool Million

Coolio
Michael Cooper
Ida Corr (SugaRush Beat Company)
Mark Cotgrove (aka Snowboy)
Count Basic
Matty Crockett (Wiley and The Checkmates)
The Crusaders
Brian Culbertson
Carmen Cuesta-Loeb
Cultured Pearls
Omar Cunningham
Dalindèo
Alex Dallas (Straight Ahead Recordings Austria)
Korben Dallas (Soul Parlor)
Damage
Eric Darius
August Darnell (Kid Creole)
Laurent Daumail (DJ Cam)
N'Dea Davenport (Brand New Heavies)
Joe Davis (Far Out Recordings U.K.)
Victor Davies
Deichkind
Joy Denalane
Roberto Di Gioia (Passport RMX)
DJ Cam (Laurent Daumail)
DJ Sepalot (Blumentopf / Esther & Sepalot)
DJ Thomilla (Die Fantastischen Vier / Turntablerocker)
DJ Vadim
Lisa Doby
Klaus Doldinger (Passport / etc.)
Emma Donovan
Conya Doss
Douyé
Lori Dow
Stee Downes
Will Downing
Down To The Bone
Lamont Dozier (Holland-Dozier-Holland / Motown / Philly-Sound / etc.)
Sascha Dresen (Liquid Bass)
Kelvis Duffie (Kloud 9)

Kendall Duffie (Kloud 9)
George Duke* (R.I.P.)
Candy Dulfer*
Sly Dunbar (Sly & Robbie)
Dwele
Eric Duperray (aka Mr. Day)
The Dynamites
Earth, Wind & Fire
Mayka Edjole (The Sweet Vandals)
Paul Elliot (Jet Tricks)
Ephemerals
Eric B. & Rakim
Eskimo
Estelle
Etana
Glenn Fallows (The Impellers)
Philipp Fankhauser
Lance Ferguson (The Bamboos / Lanu)
Amp Fiddler
Lizz Fields
Freddy Fischer (Freddy Fischer & His Cosmic Rocktime Band)
Fluid
F.O.C.
Johanna Försti (Jo Stance)
The Foreign Exchange
Freddy Fresh
Martin Fry (Vice Versa/ABC)
GAP Band
Donna Gardier
Lola Gayle (MiLo)
Nils Gessinger*
Karen Gibson Roc (Fluid)
Ginuwine
Preston Glass
Grand Slam
Macy Gray
Terri Green (Terri B. / The Terri Green Project / etc.)
Glenn Gregory (Heaven 17 / B.E.F. / Honeyroot / etc.)
Oskar Gudjonsson (Mezzoforte)
Eythor Gunnarsson (Mezzoforte)

Raj Gupta (Block 16)
Richard Hamer (Orient Expressions)
Beres Hammond
Tim Hancock (Capoeira Twins)
Paul Hardcastle (Direct Drive / First Light / The Jazzmasters / etc.)
Rob Hardt (Cool Million)
Peter Hartwig (King Electric-Peter Hartwig und Chris Isepp)
Nathan Heathman
Heaven 17
Kevin Hedge (Blaze)
Heidi
Stefanie Heinzmann*
Helge TAFKAD (Muschihaus / Ewing Oil Germany)
Glen Anthony Henry
The Herbaliser
Richard A. Hewson (RAH Band)
The Hi-Fly Orchestra
Gregor Hilden
Thomas Hofmann (3P Records Germany)
Honeyroot
John Lee Hooker Jr.
Rory Hoy
The Human League
Paul Humphreys (OMD)
Ice Cube
IKON
I.L.L. Will
The Impellers
Impromp2
Incognito*
Chris Isepp (King Electric-Peter Hartwig und Chris Isepp)
Ernie Isley (The Isley Brothers)
The Isley Brothers
Jermaine Jackson (The Jackson Five/The Jacksons)
Marlon Jackson (The Jackson Five/The Jacksons)
Randy Jackson (The Jackson Five/The Jacksons)
Tito Jackson (The Jackson Five/The Jacksons)
The Jacksons
Dominic Jacobson (aka Modaji)
Leela James

Marty James (aka Scapegoat Wax)
Al Jarreau
Jazzanova
Jazzyfatnastees
Garland Jeffreys
Jet Tricks
The Jim Rockford Band
J-Luv*
Angela Johnson
Sly Johnson
Syleena Johnson
Dr. Bob Jones
Dave Jones (Daluq / Maddslinky / Phuturistix / Zed Bias / etc.)
Sharon Jones (Sharon Jones & The Dap-Kings)
Waberi Jordan
Byram Joseph (Slakah The Beatchild / Art Of Fresh)
Jo Stance
Kelly Joyce
Kaleta (Kaleta & Zozo Afrobeat)
Mory Kanté
Lokua Kanza
Kay (Nicolay & Kay)
Kaye-Ree
Keine Zähne im Maul aber La Paloma pfeifen
Joey Kibble (Take 6)
Jerker Kluge (The Hi-Fly Orchestra)
Kid Creole & The Coconuts
Angelique Kidjo
Jan Kincaid (Brand New Heavies)
Diana King
King Electric (Peter Hartwig und Chris Isepp)
Morten Klein (Tok Tok Tok)
Kloud g
K'Naan
Beverly Knight
Stefan Köhl (Soul Kitchen)
Kool & The Gang
Lati Kronlund (Brooklyn Funk Essentials)
Kyoto Jazz Massive
Patti LaBelle

Lanu (aka Lance Ferguson)
Cyndi Lauper
Nunzio La Vecchia
Jamie Lawrence (Jet Tricks)
Maysa Leak (Incognito)
Cory Lee
Peter Legat (Count Basic)
Andrew Love Levy (Brand New Heavies)
Lexus Allstars
Marc Leymann (The Jim Rockford Band)
Light Of The World
Liquid Bass
Lisa Stansfield
L.L. Cool J
Jeff Lorber (Jeff Lorber Fusion / etc.)
Lyn Leon
Madcon
Teppo "Teddy Rok" Mäkynen (The Stance Brothers / Jo Stance / etc.)
Sabrina Malheiros
The Mannhattans
Manumatei
Phil Martin (The Soul Snatchers)
Mary Mary
Hugh Masekela
Matt Bianco
Jean-Paul "Bluey" Maunick (Incognito / Light Of The World / etc.)*
Toby Mayerl (Grand Slam)
Andy McCluskey (OMD)
Robin McKelle*
Brian McKnight
Claude V. McKnight III (Take 6)
Meeco
Sergio Mendes
Carsten Mentzel (Stardelay)
Mezzoforte
Raul Midón
Ray Mighty (Smith & Mighty)
The Mighty Mocambos
Milano Jazz Dance Combo
MiLo

Misses Next Match
Mis-Teeq
Wolfgang Mutschke (Mutschke & Dietz / etc.)*
Modaji (aka Dominic Jacobson)
Zascha Moktan
Vincent Montana Jr. (Philly-Sound / Montana Sextet / Salsoul Orchestra / MFSB / etc.) **(R.I.P.)**
Moodorama
Chanté Moore
John Morales (M&M Mixes)
Scott Morgan (The Solution / The Rationals / etc.)
Ed Motta
Mr. Day (Eric Duperray)
Ms.Dynamite
Bruno Müller (Mezzoforte)
Music Of Honour (Glenn Gregory)
Max Mutzke
Najee
Naturally 7
Meshell Ndegeocello
Youssou N'Dour
Nelly (St.Lunatics)
Aaron Neville (The Neville Brothers)
The New Mastersounds
Nick Recordkicks (aka Nicolò Pozzoli) (Milano Jazz Dance Combo)
Nicolay (Nicolay & Kay / The Foreign Exchange / etc.)*
Judy Niemack
Philip Noha (N.O.H.A.)
N.O.H.A. (Noise Of Human Art)
Steve Norman (Spandau Ballet / Cloud Fish / etc.)
Astrid North (Cultured Pearls / Soulounge / Big Light / etc.)*
Phil Oakey (The Human League)
Roger Odell (Shakatak)
Omar
OMD (Orchestral Manoeuvres In The Dark)
Ola Onabule*
Onejiru (Sisters / etc.)
Orient Expressions
Jeffrey Osborne
Passport

Passport RMX
Sam Patlove (T Bird and The Breaks)
Rahsaan Patterson
Sean Paul
Jackie Payne (Jackie Payne Steve Edmonson Band / Johnny Otis Band)
Peo (Per-Olof Dahl)
Craig Peyton (Band X / Craig Peyton Group / etc.)
Phonte (Nicolay & Kay / The Foreign Exchange)
Physics
Ed Piller (Acid Jazz Records U.K.)
Pink
Plattenpapzt
PMD (EPMD)
Valtteri Pöyhönen (Dalindèò)
Bettina Pohle
Matt Pokora
Jesse Powell
Nicolò Pozzoli (aka Nick Recordkicks) (Record Kicks / etc.)
Maxi Priest
Kelly Price
Nick Pride (Nick Pride & The Pimptones)
Prince Perry
Jeanfrancois Prins
Pryde
Alex Puddu
RAD.
RAH Band
Rakim (Eric B. & Rakim)
Houston Rawls (T Bird and The Breaks)
Eli "Paperboy" Reed (Eli "Paperboy" Reed & The True Loves)
Dianne Reeves
Mark Reilly (Matt Bianco)
Marta Ren
Rhayne
Lionel Richie (The Commodores)*
Lene Riebau
Florian Riedl (The Hi-Fly Orchestra)
Alex Rizzo (Skeewiff / IKON)
Roachford*
Andrew Roachford (Roachford)*

Peter "Pete" Robinson (Dome Records U.K.)
Carmen Rodgers
Helen Rogers (Direct Drive / The Jazzmasters / etc.)*
Alice Russell
Nicole Russo (Brand New Heavies)
Raphael Saadiq (Tony! Toni! Toné! / Lucy Pearl)
Joe Sample (The Crusaders) **(R.I.P.)**
Tommy Schneller
Myles Sanko
Scapegoat Wax (aka Marty James)
Stefan Schmid (Zuco 103)
Schwarzkafee (Black Coffee)
Rena Scott
Seek
Sabrina Setlur
Shakatak
Roxanne Shanté
Sheila E. (Sheila Escovedo)
Elizabeth Shepherd
Wayne Shorter
Thomas Siffling (Thomas Siffling Trio / etc.)
Bunny Sigler
Sisters
Gino Sitson
Skeewiff
Slakah The Beatchild (aka Byram Joseph)
Sly & Robbie (Sly Dunbar & Robbie Shakespeare)
Gizelle Smith (Gizelle Smith & The Mighty Mocambos)
Rob Smith (Smith & Mighty)
Smith & Mighty (Rob Smith & Ray Mighty)
Snowboy (aka Mark Cotgrove)
Sola Rosa
The Solution
Somethin' For The People
Omar Sosa
Soul Kitchen
Soul Parlor
The Soul Snatchers
Spandau Ballet
The Stance Brothers

Neville Staple (The Specials / Fun Boy Three / etc.)
Stardelay
Ova Steel
Cassandra Steen
Stereo MCs
St.Lunatics
The Strike Boys
SugaRush Beat Company
Sugababes
Sam Sullivan
The Sweet Vandals
Take 6
Carl Kofi Tawiah
Dennis Taylor
Ebo Taylor
T Bird and The Breaks
Ralph Tee (Expansion Records U.K.)
Jimi Tenor
Lisa Terry (Seek)
The Timewriter (aka Frank Cochois)
Titiyo (Blacknuss Allstars / etc.)
TM Juke
Tok Tok Tok
Tom & Joyce
Tom Tom Club
Tower Of Power
Roger Troutman (Zapp) (R.I.P.)
Tuomo
Turntablerocker
Tweet
Tyson
United Future Organization (U.F.O.)
US 3 (Geoff Wilkinson)*
Luther Vandross (R.I.P.)
Laura Vane (Laura Vane & The Vipertones)
Nick van Gelder (Jamiroquai / Ozric Tentacles / kimbo / etc.)
Vomit (Glenn Gregory)
Stuart Wade (Down To The Bone)
Björn Wagner (The Mighty Mocambos)
Wagon Cookin'

Charles Walker (The Dynamites / etc.)

Leon Ware

Nick Waterhouse

Kenny Wellington (Beggar & Co. / Light Of The World / The Funk Jazz Collective / etc.)

Fred Wesley

Tina Weymouth (Tom Tom Club / Talking Heads / etc.)

Kirk Whalum

Jake Wherry (The Herbaliser)

Herbert Wiley (Wiley and The Checkmates)

Wiley and The Checkmates

Geoff Wilkinson (US 3)*

Duane Williams (Beverley & Duane)

Charlie Wilson (GAP Band)

Doug Wimbish (Living Colour / TackHead / HeadFake / Musique / etc.)

Yosef Wolde-Mariam (Madcon)

North "zUnes" Woodall

Josh Workman

Keke Wyatt

Zapp

Sasha Zoe (T Bird and The Breaks)

Zuco 103