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**DAVE KOZ'S *COLLABORATIONS: 25<sup>th</sup> ANNIVERSARY COLLECTION* DEBUTS AT NO. 1 ON *BILLBOARD*'S CURRENT CONTEMPORARY JAZZ ALBUMS CHART**

**Lead Single “(Your Love Keeps Lifting Me) Higher and Higher” featuring Kenny Lattimore and Rick Braun is Top 10 at Smooth A/C and Jazz Radio**

**Dave Koz and Rick Braun with special guest Kenny Lattimore headline Los Angeles’ historic Hollywood Bowl on Sunday, August 23**

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*For Immediate Release* – **Dave Koz’s *Collaborations: 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Collection*** (Concord Records) debuts at No. 1 on *Billboard*’s Current Contemporary Jazz Albums chart, becoming the nine-time GRAMMY®-nominee’s eighth album to top the chart. The album, which is available [HERE](#), shines a light on some of the saxophonist’s most memorable creative partnerships, drawing from **Koz’s** extensive catalog as well as other artists’ recording projects and including three brand new tracks.

The collection’s first single, “**(Your Love Keeps Lifting Me) Higher and Higher**,” is one of the songs recorded especially for the collection. **Rick Braun** and **Kenny Lattimore** join **Dave** on the classic R&B track, which is already a Top 10 hit at Smooth A/C and Jazz radio.

“Kenny Lattimore’s vocals make this lyrical celebration just as electrifying and just as soulful as the original [Jackie] Wilson hit. But it is the tandem playing of Koz and Braun that takes this song into new dimensions,” said *AXS.com*.

As this spirited new [video](#) shows, their special chemistry is infectious. The video was shot during rehearsals for the trio’s summer tour, which will include a headline performance at the legendary Hollywood Bowl in Los Angeles on Sunday, August 23. See below for itinerary.

“**Good Foot**,” which features keyboardist **Jeff Lorber**, who co-wrote the song with **Dave**, and **Koz’s** soaring instrumental version of “**Let It Go**” from the 2013 Disney film, *Frozen*, are the other new songs

appearing on *Collaborations: 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Collection*. Previously released tracks feature **Koz's** classic collaborations with **Herb Alpert, Eric Benét, David Benoit, Scott Bradlee's Postmodern Jukebox, Jonathan Butler, Brian Culbertson, Gloria Estefan, Heather Headley, Boney James, Toby Keith, Barry Manilow, Richard Marx, Johnny Mathis, Maysa, Michael McDonald, Marcus Miller, Keb' Mo', Stevie Nicks, Rod Stewart, Summer Horns, Luther Vandross, BeBe Winans and Stevie Wonder.**

"The saxophonist Dave Koz reigns not only as one of the most bankable stars of smooth jazz but also one of the most hospitable, a point hammered home on his new compilation album, 'Collaborations: 25th-Anniversary Collection,'" noted *The New York Times*. "Whenever jazz saxophonist Dave Koz teams up with other musicians, the result is something unbelievably special," said the *Riverside Press Enterprise* while *Rage Monthly* praised **Koz** as "extremely gifted." AXS.com observed, "Dave Koz's celebration of his extensive musical career is captured brilliantly on *Collaborations: 25th Anniversary Collection*."

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<http://mediakits.concordmusicgroup.com/p/collaborations-25th-anniversary/>

### **Dave Koz Tour Dates**

8/15 – Sparks, NV @ Nugget Casino Resort  
8/21 – Sacramento, CA @ Red Lion Hotel – 2015 Jazz Concert Series  
8/22 – Las Vegas, NV @ Alliant Casino  
8/23 – Los Angeles, CA @ Hollywood Bowl  
8/28 – Austin, TX @ One World Theatre  
8/29 – Houston, TX @ Brown Theatre/Wortham Center  
8/30 – Dallas, TX @ The Music Hall at Fair Park  
9/5 – Cancun, Mexico @ Cancun Jazz Festival  
9/11 – Saratoga, CA @ Villa Montalvo – Montalvo Arts Center  
9/12 – Guerneville, CA @ Russian River Jazz Festival  
9/18 – Woodinville, WA @ Redhook Brewery – In Concert For Cancer benefit  
9/25 – San Diego, CA @ Humphreys Concerts by the Bay



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