

Chick Corea – Children’s Song #5 (1:19) – first interlude; second is “...#15” – all songs composed by Chick Friends, 1978 – unconventional trio: Chick, piano / Joe Farrell, flute / Eddie Gomez, acoustic bass
Quartet outside of interludes with Steve Gadd on drums

Grover Washington, Jr. – Hydra (9:10)

Feels So Good, 1975 – second record that year after *Mister Magic*

GWJr., writer/soprano & tenor saxes / Bob James, Rhodes/arranger/conductor? / Eric Gale, guitar / Louis Johnson (The Brothers Johnson), bass / Spider Webb (Kenneth Rice), drums / Ralph MacDonald, perc.

David Benoit – Eye of the Tiger (4:40) – previously unreleased track

Waves of Raves, 1984 – cover of Survivor song, title track to their ’82 album, theme to that year’s *Rocky III* – written by keyboardist Jim Peterik/guitarist Frankie Sullivan, lead vocals by *Dave Bickler* – they almost called it “Survival,” but didn’t – won Grammy in ’84 for Best Rock Performance by a Duo or Group with Vocal – my first exposure to song came in ’96 when it was the theme to Halftime Howie Appel’s WGBB radio show, *Sportstime with Halftime Howie* – I ended up as his lead-in toward the end of my run on ‘GBB with *The Instrumental Invasion*

Presumed credits: DB, piano/Rhodes/keyboards / or Bill Henderson, Rhodes? / Jim Fox, electric guitar / Ron Brown, electric & acoustic bass / Gary Ferguson, drums / Bobby Hall, percussion

Bryan Savage – It Was You (4:31)

Saxafaction, 1994 – BS, alto sax / Steve Sykes, guitar / *Kirwan* Brown, bass / Larry Thompson, drums / Gary Sosias, percussion / Dave Hanson, piano/keyboards (with Dik Darnell) /
Background vocals: Bobby “BW” Wells (writer)/Dik Darnell/Mindy Sterling (that one?)

John Nilsen – Water Babies (3:21) – more mythical creatures – *dedicated to Dustin Damonte/Steven Thoma

From the Sky, 1989 (the year BBN was recorded, except for the hit medley recorded live in ’88)

JN, writer*/piano/synthesizer/acoustic guitar / Nancy Rumbel, English horn/oboe/ocarina

Mysterious water spirits in folklore of several Western American Indian tribes

Maynard Ferguson – Cruisin’ For a Bluesin’ (7:50) – written/arranged by keyboardist Andy Weiner (DNP*)

Big Bop Nouveau, 1990 – covered “Gonna Fly Now,” theme from first *Rocky* film (’76), on *Conquistador* (’77)

Billed with BBN (“MF & BBN”) on subsequent albums – *did not play

Featured musicians: MF, trumpet / all saxophones: Christopher Hollyday (alto), Matt Wallace (tenor),

Gene Burkert (tenor & soprano), Glenn Kostur (baritone) // other members: Alex Iles, trombone /

Rich Berkeley, bass trombone / Wayne Bergeron/Roger Ingram/Peter Olstad, trumpet / John Toomey, piano /

Tom “Boomer” Bevan, elec. gtr. / Jim Donica, ac. bass / Dave Tull, drums / Billy Hulting, perc./vibes/marimba

Earl Klugh – One Night (Alone with You) (4:35)

Soda Fountain Shuffle, 1985 – EK, writer/lead acoustic guitar / Paul Jackson Jr., rhythm electric guitar /

Greg Phillinganes, keyboards / Louis Johnson, bass (as on Hydra w/GWJr.) /

Harvey Mason, drums/Oberheim DMX drum machine / Paulinho da Costa, percussion

Billy Cobham – Slidin’ By (3:22) – BC, writer/drums / Dean Brown, guitar / Joe Chindamo, keyboards /

By Design, 1992 – Ernie Watts, tenor sax / Brian Bromberg, bass

Chick Corea Elektric Band – Silver Temple (8:32, over at 8:27)

Eponymous debut (*The Chick Corea Elektric Band*), 1986 – one of three tracks not on original issue

Chick, writer/Rhodes/Yamaha KX-88 (both via Yamaha TX816 rack synthesizer) /

Scott Henderson, guitar / John Patitucci, bass / Dave Weckl, drums/LinnDrum drum machine

Jeff Lorber – Ain't Nobody (3:54) – cover of Rufus & Chaka Khan, by keyboardist David “Hawk” Wolinski
Kickin' It, 2001 – One of four studio tracks on R&CK's live album *Stompin' at the Savoy*, 1983
JL, piano/mute guitar/synth bass / Tony Maiden (was in Rufus), unmuted guitar / Gary Meek, tenor sax /
Ron King, trumpet/muted trumpet/flugelhorn / Steven Dubin, drum programming (like Hawk intended)

Spyro Gyra – Walkin' Home (4:39) – Tom Schuman, writer/keybs./synth brass / Jay Beckenstein, tenor sax /
Wrapped in a Dream, 2006 – Julio Fernandez, guitar / Scott Ambush, bass / Josh Dion, drums

Bob James – Baby Cakes (5:55) – another GWJr. returnee
Morning, Noon & Night, 2002 – BJ, writer/Yamaha Disklavier/Korg synth / Chuck Loeb, electric guitar /
James Genus, ac. bass / Dave McMurray, tenor sax / Brian Dunne, drums / Bashiri Johnson, perc.? (PDC?)

Michael Broening – Fire in the Sky (4:56)
Never Too Late, 2/3/23 – long-awaited solo debut
Likely about Arizona skyline, not Deep Purple's Montreux dilemma that inspired “Smoke on the Water”
MB, writer/piano/keyboards/drum programming / Lemek, guitars / Mario Mendivil, bass /
John Herrera, drums / featuring Althea Rene, flute

Special EFX – Homeland (5:05) – inspired by Showtime TV series
Twenty Twenty 2, 2022 (a year ago this Saturday) – Chieli Minucci, writer/guitars/keyboards /
Antoine Silverman, violin / Jerry Brooks, bass / Joel Rosenblatt, drums (member of Spyro Gyra, 1991-2004)

The 3 Keys – Something Nice (For George Duke) (5:15)
We 3 Keys, 1/20/22 – Gail Jhonson/Bob Baldwin/Phil Davis – dedicated to legendary keyboardists
Written by Gail/Bob / All three on piano/keyboards/drum & percussion programming / Gail/Bob, synth bass /
Gail, spoken word intro / Bob, Rhodes / Phil, Yamaha SY77 WindSynth

Brian Simpson & Steve Oliver – Unified (3:58) (preceded by Brian Simpson Liner)
Title track, 2020 – written by BS (piano/keyboards)/SO (guitars/sound design)
Alex Al, bass / Eric Valentine, drums / Ramon Yslas, percussion

Tom Braxton – Nuevo! (5:50) – Spanish for “new” – featuring Bob James (3rd appearance), piano
The Next Chapter, 2014 – TB, writer/saxophones (led by tenor)/flutes / Kim Hansen, keyboards /
CC Thomas, bass / Ricky Lawson, drums / Ramon Yslas, percussion

Chuck Loeb – Cut and Run (5:53, over at 5:50) – CL/BD returning from “Baby Cakes”
Unspoken, 2016 – CL, writer/guitars*/bass *in L&R channels / David Mann, flute / Brian Dunne, drums