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**7-TIME GRAMMY® WINNING JAZZ ICON HERB ALPERT IS  
*STEPPIN' OUT***

**NEW ALBUM FEATURING LANI HALL  
AVAILABLE ON SHOUT! FACTORY NOVEMBER 19, 2013**

**Video Released for the Single “Puttin’ on the Ritz,” Directed by  
Glenn Kaino & Afshin Shahidi and Choreographed by  
*So You Think You Can Dance’s* Napoleon & Tabitha D’umo**



Los Angeles, CA – Grammy®-winning jazz great Herb Alpert is *Steppin' Out* on November 19 with a new album on Shout! Factory. Combining pop instrumentals and timeless jazz along with Latin-influenced rhythms reminiscent of the Tijuana Brass, *Steppin' Out* explores standards from the American Songbook as well as Alpert’s own catalog, and features his wife, the Grammy®-winning vocalist Lani Hall, on several tracks.

*Steppin' Out* includes 16 songs, including a contemporary version of Irving Berlin’s “Puttin’ on the Ritz,” a video for which has just been released. The music has an undeniable charm coupled with an energetic and intricate dance routine choreographed by the Emmy® award-winning team from *So You Think You Can Dance*, Napoleon & Tabitha D’umo, creating a magical pied piper-like scene. The video features musicians Lani Hall, Bill Cantos, Hussain Jiffry, Michael Shapiro and dancer Vincent Noiseux alongside corps dancers like Kherington Payne and others from *So You Think You Can Dance USA*, *America’s Best Dance Crew*, *Dancing with the Stars*, *This is It*, and *Step Up*. The video follows the lead dancer in one single seamless camera shot, without any edits, on a musical journey, motivating everyone he passes to join the promenade. The video can be seen here:

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=UI0b2pCO4A>

Also featured on *Steppin' Out* is Alpert and Jeff Lorber's "Jacky's Place," with lyrics by Bill Cantos, featuring vocals by Lani Hall, Art Pepper's ballad "Our Song," the chill Alpert/Lorber/Cantos composition "Green Lemonade," Harry Warren and Al Dubin's "I Only Have Eyes For You," featuring vocals by Hall, Ruben Fuentes Gasson's "Good Morning Mr. Sunshine," from the Tijuana Brass' 1969 album *The Brass Are Coming*, the commanding ballad "Oblivion," written by Astor Piazzolla, Irving Berlin's "What'll I Do," featuring vocals by Hall, the Alpert/Lorber/Cantos composition "Cote d'Azur," a fresh version of Edith Piaf's perennial favorite "La Vie En Rose," Carl Sigman and Charles Dawes' "It's All In The Game" featuring Hall, Carlos Santana and Thomas J. Coster's "Europa," Ziggy Elman and Johnny Mercer's "And The Angels Sing," which originally appeared on Alpert's *Going Places*, Johnny Mercer and Hoagy Carmichael's "Skylark," and Alpert and Jeff Lorber's "Migration," with lyrics written by Bill Cantos and vocals by Hall. Closing out the album is the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary version of "The Lonely Bull," composed by Sol Lake and first released on Alpert's debut album on A&M Records.

*Steppin' Out* features Herb Alpert on trumpet and vocals, Lani Hall on vocals, Bill Cantos on keyboards, Michael Shapiro on drums and percussion, Hussain Jiffry on bass, Coco Triuissonno on bandoneon, and Ramon Stagnaro on acoustic guitar. Herb Alpert and Lani Hall produced the bulk of the album, while "Puttin' on the Ritz" was produced by Randy "Badazz" Alpert and Herb Alpert. "Jacky's Place," "Green Lemonade," "Côte d'Azur," and "Migration" were produced by Jeff Lorber and Herb Alpert, and co-produced by Lani Hall, with additional guitar Paul Jackson Jr.

Herb Alpert is a true Renaissance man and known as a world renowned musician, record label co-founder, music producer, composer, arranger, visual artist, Broadway producer and philanthropist. After early success composing "Wonderful World" with Sam Cooke and Lou Adler, Alpert went on to co-found A&M Records in 1962 with Jerry Moss, which grew from Alpert's garage in West Hollywood into the largest independent record label in history. Alpert introduced the Tijuana Brass phenomenon with a signature sound that propelled him to global fame. In 1966, when the TJB craze was unstoppable, he achieved the unmatched accomplishment of having 5 albums, at the same time, on *Billboard's* Top 20. He has sold over 75 million records, with 15 certified platinum and 14 gold. Alpert's many music honors include 7 Grammy® Awards, the prized Trustees Grammy® Award, a star on the Hollywood Walk of Fame, and the Rock & Roll Hall of Fame Lifetime Achievement Award. In 2013 he was awarded the National Medal of Arts by President Obama. He is the only artist to have a #1 record as a singer, "This Guy's in Love with You" and as an instrumentalist, "Rise" in 1979.

Alpert explains, "There is a certain satisfaction and energy that comes from playing the horn – a feeling that I am really in the moment." Herb Alpert has never stopped making music and in addition to his musical accomplishments, he has spent more than half his life as a respected, abstract expressionist painter and sculptor, whose work has been exhibited in museums and galleries around the world.

Herb Alpert and his wife, singer, Lani Hall, have been performing together, with their band, since 2006 and have previously released two CDs, “Anything Goes” and “I Feel You.”

For more on Herb Alpert and Lani Hall, please visit [www.herbalpertosents.com](http://www.herbalpertosents.com)

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### ***Steppin’ Out* Tracklist**

1. Puttin’ on the Ritz
2. Jacky’s Place
3. Our Song
4. Green Lemonade
5. I Only Have Eyes For You
6. Good Morning Mr. Sunshine
7. Oblivion
8. What’ll I Do?
9. Côte d’Azur
10. La Vie en Rose
11. It’s All in the Game
12. Europa
13. And the Angels Sing
14. Skylark
15. Migration
16. The Lonely Bull

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