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Hailing from Belfast in Northern Ireland, Scott Flanagan is one of the foremost keyboard players on the Irish jazz scene. He performs regularly across the United Kingdom, Ireland and Europe, and has recently collaborated with Van Morrison, the Ulster Orchestra, Rob Luft, Jim Mullen and Linley Hamilton. As a leader, Scott successfully tours his own contemporary piano trio, as well as a hard-swinging organ quartet. He also runs the successful Scott's Jazz Club in East Belfast, a weekly jazz club bringing the best in Irish jazz to local audiences.

Flanagan's second release as a leader follows the 2015 recording 'Point Of Departure', acclaimed by media for both its original compositions and reworked standards. For this 2023 release, **Clouded**

Lines, Flanagan is joined by London-based guitarist Ant Law, alongside the Irish rhythm section powerhouse of Dave Redmond on bass and Kevin Brady on drums.

The title tracks featured on this record were a co-commission by Belfast-based Moving On Music in conjunction with the PRS Foundation. Flanagan states, "Since my



last record, I've taken time to reflect on my craft, explore wider influences, and collaborate with other musicians. Ant Law's fiery guitar lines perfectly complement the music and capture exactly the sound I had in my head. Dave Redmond and Kevin Brady, on bass and drums respectively, are musicians who I've performed with frequently, and every time I play with them we connect in ways that enhances every part of the music".

This release, therefore, signifies a considerable leap by Flanagan as pianist, composer, and collaborator, and represents a landmark release within Irish and UK jazz today.

SELECTED PRESS QUOTES:

"a mix of intelligent original compositions and deftly re-arranged standards" - **irishtimes.com**

"an elegant, assured calling card that showcased both his technical command and sensitivity" - **allaboutjazz.com**

"a very mature and compelling start" - **marlbank.net**

LINKS:

Promotional video: [YouTube](#)

Soundcloud: [Clouded Lines \(2023\)](#)

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Featuring:

Scott Flanagan:	Piano
Ant Law:	Guitar
Dave Redmond:	Bass
Kevin Brady:	Drums

Track Listing:

- 1 - Prelude
- 2 - Clouded Lines Part 1 - Fast
- 3 - Clouded Lines Part 2 - Slow
- 4 - Clouded Lines Part 3 - Fast
- 5 - I've Got A Crush On You
- 6 - If It's Not Yourself
- 7 - She Has Music
- 8 - Prelude (outro)

All compositions by Flanagan except *I've Got A Crush On You* (Gershwin) and *She Has Music* (Rynhart)

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