

FIRST INTERVIEWS

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# DOWNBEAT

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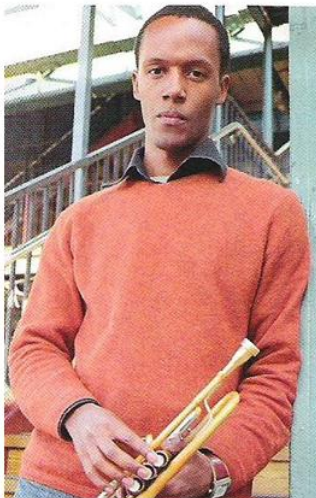
ENTREPRENEURS AWARDS

EMMA VIL?

## Jason Palmer

Boston-based trumpeter Jason Palmer, 28, leads his quintet three nights a week at the historic South End jazz spot Wally's Café. He is also a versatile sideman, equally at home in Kendrick Oliver's Count Basie-centric big band and more adventurous groups led by Greg Osby and AACM saxophonist Matana Roberts. Palmer's debut recording as a leader, *Songbook*, will be released in July and includes guest appearances from Ravi Coltrane and Greg Osby. He draws on the influence of players like Woody Shaw and Booker Little but stresses: "I'm trying to get away from the conventions and clichés of trumpet improvisation, trying to figure out new devices and sonic possibilities for the instrument."

While an adventurous player, within his music he "doesn't want to lose the movement, the danceability." —David French



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# WHO'S GOT NEXT?

## JEREMY PELT

LEADS A PACK OF YOUNG TRUMPETERS WHO DEMAND ATTENTION. WE'VE GOT 25 YOU NEED TO HEAR.