Mp3 Joyce Woodson - If I Hadn't Seen The West



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One of the finest collections of Cowgirl Western music to ever come down the trail. Title cut is currently #1 on the American Western Artists chart (Nov. 2007). 11 MP3 Songs FOLK: Gentle, COUNTRY: Cowboy Show all album songs: If I Hadn't Seen the West Songs Details: Finally - here is someone who understands western music. Joyce created a project that acts like a time machine. Whew - is all I can say. Check out Joyce Woodson's newest CD "If I Hadn't Seen the West" chock full of timeless songs about worn out cowboys, starving miners, and dying cattle. Sadness infuses the songs and both heals and redeems the lonesome characters who walk, ride, and wail through Joyce's new-old landscapes. Truly the work of a unique mind. Joyce Woodsons crystal clear voice and solid guitar work are equally adept in the folk music world or wending her way through the west with her powerful songs about the land. Shes welcome on festival stages, at coffee house concerts and among the late-night circles of practicing songwriters. Her strength is in storytelling, bringing characters to life as if theyre hunkered down at the campfire next to you. Winner of the 2007 Tucson Folk Festival Songwriting Contest, shes played throughout southern California, worked for many years at the legendary McCabes Guitar Shop, performed at the Napa Valley Music Festival, Kerrville Folk Festival and is a founding member of the Western Music Association in Tucson, Arizona. She is a regular performer at the Gene Autry Museum in Burbank, California and the Buffalo Bill Historical Center in Cody, Wyoming. She enjoys touring the United States from coast-to-coast, and has, by invitation from the BBC, performed at the Queens Festival in Belfast, Ireland. Shes toured Wales and Great Britain as well. Shes an instructor at the bi-annual music camps SummerSongs in the Santa Barbara area and resides in her home town of San Juan Capistrano, California. Writing about the disappearing California landscape and her love for the land is one of Woodsons strengths. While Woodsons first two albums present her original tunes in the California folk

music style (think Kate Wolf), her recent album If I Hadnt Seen The West is pure western music. Inspired by the The Sons of the Pioneers (think cowboy) who wrote and made famous the songs, Tumbling Tumbleweeds and Cool Water, she says, Those harmonizing voices brought the cowboy life and landscape clearly into focus for me - so much so that I felt like I was in the saddle with them and I never wanted the trail or the song to end. Joyce grew up on the family farm in the Capistrano Valley, riding the tractor with her Dad. Watching the fields turn from dark loam to green created a strong bond for her with the hills and valleys where she lives and gives her a strong sense of place. Shes a graduate of UC Irvine, with a degree in Education with and a teaching credential. After a few months as a school teacher, Joyce knew her true calling was in music. After 12 years in playing folk clubs and coffeehouses in LA and New England she eventually she moved to Nashville and spent almost a decade writing songs, running her own publishing company, and performing her own tunes in clubs such as The Bluebird and Douglas Corner. Returning to California to care for her aging father, shes now settled back in her childhood neighborhood, from where she continues teaching others songwriting at workshops, touring the U.S. and crafting, her own brand of songs. Contact Information: Website: joycewoodson.com Joyce Woodson 32158 Camino Capistrano #366 San Juan Capistrano, CA 92675 (949) 493-4791 email: joyce@joycewoodson.com

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