

Mp3 Aimee Allen - Dream



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A warm, multilingual melange of jazz, blues, and bossa delivered with heart and soul. 11 MP3 Songs

JAZZ: Jazz Vocals, JAZZ: Traditional Jazz Combo Details: Aimee Allens intimate connection with music began as a child. Her childhood was quite literally scored with classic jazz, because of her mothers intense love of the music. The influence of the jazz tradition can be heard in Aimees musical style and interpretation choices. But Aimees listeners can also hear her individual voice, nuanced and sparkling with soul and sensuality. Singing came early for Aimee. But she first began to sing professionally as a college student. At Yale University Aimee was an active member and soloist with two a cappella singing groups performing a jazz repertoire. After graduation, Aimee lived in Paris and performed regularly in clubs and at music festivals. There, her understanding of the place of jazz in the world deepened and her interpretive style began to flourish. The intense relationship between the francophone audience in Paris and Brazilian bossa nova, long one of Aimees musical loves, led Aimee to form a group dedicated to bossa and jazz: Les Bossa Novices. Aimee performed frequently in and outside of Paris with Les Bossa Novices. As part of New Yorks jazz community for the past few years, Aimee has continued to navigate traditional and modern jazz, infusing her craft with a personal and intimate style. In addition to selections from the great American songbook, Aimee sings some not-so-standards, pays homage to Brazilian bossa, and frequently includes a French lyric. Her touch is always sincere and her sound authentic. Her singular voice and soul has garnered the love of many of the citys best young musicians. On her latest CD, Dream, Aimee is joined by pianists Dave Cook and Toru Dodo. Dave brings a thoughtful and innovative attention to rhythm as well as rich, original arrangements. Toru accompanies with his classic lush style and a modern soulfulness. Ben Campbell joins with great musicality on bass, and Brian Woodruff plays drums with characteristic panache, great sensitivity, and imagination. Aimee is also joined

in a duo by the inspired guitarist Richard Padron. On her latest CD, Dream, Aimee Allen is joined by pianists Dave Cook and Toru Dodo with Ben Campbell on bass, Brian Woodruff on drums, and guitarist Richard Padron. The recording includes inspired original arrangements of standards such as My Favorite Things, Honeysuckle Rose, Heres That Rainy Day, You Stepped Out of A Dream, and Nature Boy. It also includes the classic bossa nova tunes, Trieste and Manha de Carneval (Black Orpheus), both sung in their native Portuguese. Aimee sings in a third language with a hybrid French and English version of Les Feuilles Mortes (Autumn Leaves), including the rarely sung verse. The album also includes a moving rendition of Duke Ellingtons Daydream, and Solitude Blues, a playful blues penned by Aimee herself. Please visit Aimee's website at aimeeallenmusic.com

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