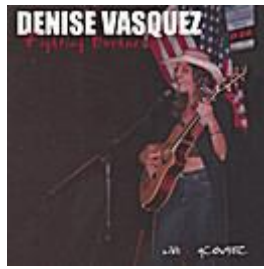


# Mp3 Denise Vasquez - Fighting Darkness



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Upbeat and optimistic lyrics are delivered on flowing melodies with a unique voice that has undeniable conviction and feeling combining folk blues. 8 MP3 Songs FOLK: Folk Blues, FOLK: Modern Folk

Details: HAPPY NEW YEAR EVERYONE! ALIVE IN 2005! This year's only just begun there's already good news to report: Denise Vasquez has been featured in THE ARTIST SPOLIGHT in the first issue of MUSIC CONNECTION MAGAZINE for 2005! Denise is kicking off her New Year with her residency "ACOUSTIC WEDNESDAYS" on Jan. 5th then she'll be heading to the Virgin Islands for a mini tour through Jan. 20th! Keep checking in as there will be more good news to report at the end of the month!

RESIDENCY: That's right folks, you can see Denise perform every Wednesday night from 7-10pm

ACOUSTIC WEDNESDAYS: Music Bingo Featuring DENISE VASQUEZ Special guests @El Guapo Cantina 7250 Melrose Ave., Hollywood, CA 90046...FREE...great food, margaritas, full bars, outside patio... Denise Vasquez was NOMINATED by the LA MUSIC AWARDS for BEST INDEPENDENT FEMALE VOCALIST 2004 and was invited to open the night during the acoustic showcase at the Henry Fonda Theatre. Shake Magazine was there distributing their magazines they happened to give Denise a wonderful review about her CD "LIVE IN ONE TAKE" Here's what they wrote: "One might think there is a new trend for actual musical artists to come back to the forefront of the field. Is it possible? Can we get people like Denise Vasquez to replace the dancing MTV product queens? That would be a step in the right direction. This album is only available on CDBABY It is a collection of no frills one take live recordings that portray Vasquez in a sultry and adventuresome persona that makes you want to come back for more. She going places, that's for sure. Denise recently played the legendary CAVERN CLUB in Liverpool, England where the Beatles began. With her last name one might expect Denise to perform percussive or salsa or other variations on Hispanic musical forms but she's more of a folk and inventive

singer-songwriter stylist. The group is simple with acoustic guitar, flute and congas. She has a good message. In one lyric, "We are all crayons in the box, different colors but all made the same, for one purpose, to color the picture..."Peace joy back at you, Denise."-Jess Marich, SHAKE MAGAZINE 12/04

Denise has been receiving a great deal of press lately...Denise was just notified that she's being listed on MUSIC CONNECTION MAGAZINE HOT 100 UNSIGNED ARTIST LIST 2004...that's three years in a row! Music Connection Magazine recently mentioned Denise in their props column, here's what they wrote: "MC Showcase artist Denise Vasquez got to live out her dream. Influenced (as many artists are) by the Beatles, Vasquez recently traveled to Liverpool to see where the Fab Four grew up and played. She not only saw everything she wanted, she also got the opportunity to play the world famous CAVERN CLUB where the Beatles performed 294 times. Vasquez reports, "The place was packed, and the MC kept saying 'Los Angeles singer/songwriter Denise Vasquez is here folks, and she already has a fan base in Liverpool.' I was only scheduled to perform for a half an hour, but the crowd got so into my set they let me go on for over an hour." Pints of ale were bought while autograph seekers surrounded her. Vasquez says, "It was absolutely incredible, I can't even put it into words. I can only say I am living my dreams!"

-Bernard Baur, MUSIC CONNECTION MAGAZINE 11/04 Denise initially booked performed in Room 1 (The Beatles Stage) and was invited back to perform at the CAVERN CLUB in Room two where she opened for the winner of the Battle Of The Bands in Liverpool "BOA". Denise also received a great review in THE BELTANE PAPERS, Here's what they wrote about "LIVE IN ONE TAKE": "One of the best things about being a reviewer is when you are given the gift of coming across a total unknown whose fledging work is magnificent. Hearing Denise Vasquez's "LIVE IN ONE TAKE" was just such an experience. She's been described as a cross between Janis Joplin and Jewel, and the stage is her natural habitat. With lyrics that mix relationship based motives and burning social lyrics, her voice conveys the same strong conviction. In the middle of her open conversational language, there's also a sense of magic enhanced by the flute. The sound is pretty much timeless, with some echoes of the sixties' freedom. Vasquez carries the pure scent of an independent artist and it's easy to believe her when she says "My music is all that I am". -Lisa Mc Sherry, THE BELTANE PAPERS 6/04 July: Denise Vasquez once again receives an ASCAP PLUS AWARD for 2004/2005! Denise got the grand tour at Westlake Audio Studios: being selected in their artist development program, Denise was allowed to select the studio of her choice and will begin recording in the legendary studio D early September. Upcoming shows: August 4th 7-8:30pm

@Borders Bookstore 1501 Vine (On Sunset Blvd) Hollywood, CA Free for all ages August 7th  
2pm-Midnight WOMEN FOR A CAUSE MUSIC FESTIVAL (Produced, created, hosted by Denise Vasquez) Sponsored by El Guapo Cantina, Social Butterfly Music, The Wish Sparkletts Water @El Guapo Mexican Cantina 7250 Melrose Ave. Hollywood, CA Suggested \$5 donation will go to redcrossgreenpeaceovariancancer Denise booked her ticket to London is very excited about performing at The legendary, world famous venue where The Beatles performed @THE CAVERN...on August 19th, 2004 at 8:00pm...I'm living my dream! LATEST NEWS: June 4th: Denise sings with FALLOUT at Summerfest Brea-opens for Peter Frampton. June 2nd: webcdsfeatures Denise Vasquez as the ARTIST OF THE DAY. June 2nd: Staff writer Bob Freville of getundergroundcontacts Denise with amazing feedback on "LIVE IN ONE TAKE" for his review, in addition requests permission to use songs from the CD for his upcoming indie film project. May 1st: Steve Burdick, Vice President of Westlake Audio Studio's contacts Denise to let her know the GREAT news: Denise was selected to be a FEATURED ARTIST in Westlake Audio's Artist Development Program! Singer/Songwriter Denise Vasquez has been compared to Janis Joplin meets Jewel but Denise writes and sings from her own soul. This sexy New Yorican "mesmerizes her audience by her poetic childlike demeanor and angelic yet raspy voice" which flutters like a bird during her delivery of bluesy-folk rhythms. She experiences her life through her songs on stage taking her audience on a spiritual journey. When she sings her ballads, she sings like an angel; when she rocks out, she sings with a raspy edge. Her songs cover topics such as love and loss and deeply spiritual issues. Next Show: SPECIAL SHOW!!! MUSIC CONNECTION MAGAZINE Presents Their Debut Showcase Concert Series April 13th 8:00pm @Club Lingerie 6507 Sunset Blvd. Featuring: Denise Vasquez, Stevie Blacke, Cyhndi Mora, Porcelain many more!!! A native New Yorker, Denise was influenced by music and art at a very early age. By the age of ten, she had already begun tinkering with the violin and writing lyrics. During her elementary years, Denise got a taste of show business when her Chorus was asked to perform at Avery Fisher Hall two years in a row. Throughout her high school years, Denise studied and pursued acting, singing and dancing, landing her jobs on educational films, TV, Features, Music Videos and The Theater. During her early college years, Denise decided to try out her songs in front of an audience. It wasn't until she received positive reviews at "Roses Turn" (NYC) and "The Duplex" (NYC) for performing her songs that she realized her calling and decided to pursue a music career. After extensive traveling abroad, Denise sacrificed her life in NYC and moved to the Virgin Islands

where she could focus on writing and developing her music. She began singing with a Blues/Rock band and later developed a Jazz/Fusion Band covering songs by her influences Etta James, Billy Holiday, Sarah Mclachlan and The Beatles. Denise was invited to perform at Tillet Gardens Arts Alive Festival during a celebration of women's month. This inspired her to work more with female musicians. In between gigs Denise continued to focus on writing and working with female musicians which led Denise to create, produce, host and perform in her "Ladies Night Music Festivals I-VI". Denise hosted hours of non-stop music featuring herself as well as many other talented performers. Denise developed a following of hundreds receiving rave reviews and publicity from the media (The Daily News, The Island Trader, The St. John Times followed her performances). Denise says "I like creating an artistic environment around me where I can share the stage and share the fun...I write about things that have meaning to me and I perform from my heart...I treat people the way I hope to be treated with respect, love and honesty...I believe that the energy you put out into the universe will come back to you...My music represents all that I am". Her goal is to touch as well as entertain her audience. Denise has only been in Los Angeles for a little over a year and she is quickly becoming a name on the Singer/Songwriter scene. MUSIC CONNECTION recently wrote "Vasquez possesses an amazingly flexible voice that is as sexy and throaty as Janis Joplin one moment and as playful as a bird the next, not unlike singer Jewel...Vasquez could trademark the way she accents her high notes with a delicate trill that sounds more like it's being produced by a flute than by human vocal chords...her upbeat and optimistic lyrics are delivered on flowing melodies with a unique voice that has undeniable conviction and feeling." MUSIC DISH wrote about meeting Denise recently at The Songsalive Expo "Another treat was meeting Denise Vasquez, a New York born, Puerto Rican solo Songwriter with a passion and zeal for her craft..." Denise has performed extensively around Los Angeles, in some of the city's most respected rooms including: The Mint, Genghis Cohen, The Joint, The Rainbow, The Continental, Molly Malones, Kulak's Woodshed, The Crooked Bar, and The Westwood Brewing Company...Denise has a great show coming up at THE GEM THEATER, in Garden Grove. Denise recently produced and released her first solo acoustic live CD "FIGHTING DARKNESS" Titled after a song she wrote on September 11th...this CD was recorded live during a tribute concert Denise performed shortly after September 11th for her family and friends in New York City...this CD is a tribute to all those who rebuild and remember!

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