

## Mp3 Allyn Van Dusen - Our Love



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Allyn's mezzo voice enriches these 21 lovely wedding songs, from classic to popular, arranged for solo piano, harp, or small ensemble. Fresh new ideas for brides, great listening for everyone. 21 MP3 Songs

CLASSICAL: Contemporary, POP: 70's Pop Details: Allyn Van Dusen has had an active singing career for twenty-five years. Her rich, warm voice soars easily from the low range to the high, and throughout her career she has sung a wide variety of literature, both in the church setting and elsewhere. Her repertoire of over 500 church solos encompasses everything from early music to established favorites to interesting and accessible new songs hot off the press. This breadth is reflected on her debut album, PEACE OF HEART. An accomplished oratorio soloist, recitalist and chamber singer, Allyn has soloed with the Rochester Philharmonic Orchestra, the Boston Symphony Orchestra, the Rochester Oratorio Society, the Eastman-Rochester Chorus, the Finger Lakes Symphony Orchestra, the Penfield Symphony Orchestra, Madrigalia, and others too numerous to mention, to the acclaim of music critics. She has also appeared in many opera and musical theatre productions in a variety of roles. She co-directed a chamber music concert series called Fortissimo! during the 1990's, and has been a private voice teacher at the Hochstein Music School in Rochester, and out of her home, for about ten years. Allyn discovered she liked to sing while in high school, but had no formal training until her third year in college (she was then a foreign language major). At Principia College, she was one of the Chapel soloists and soloed in many choral performances under the direction of Robert Rockabrand, with whom she studied voice. At that point she decided to pursue her vocal studies more seriously and earned a Bachelor of Music, magna cum laude, at Boston University, later moving to Rochester, New York to earn her Master of Music degree in vocal performance at The Eastman School of Music. At Eastman she received the Performer's Certificate under the tutelage of Jan DeGaetani, who was not only a consummate vocal artist but also a

wonderful mentor and friend. She also studied with Phyllis Curtin at The Tanglewood Music Institute. In the years since, she has had the opportunity to perform a tremendous range of vocal music in the Northeast region, as well as to enjoy a fulfilling life with her two elementary school age children, who are also budding musicians! Reviews: Allyn Van Dusen...displayed a lovely, darkly burnished mezzo soprano. Democrat Chronicle, Rochester, New York The deep, focused sound of mezzo soprano Van Dusen -- a voice that matches her striking presence -- made the Pie Jesu a spiritual, as well as a musical, experience. Democrat Chronicle, Rochester, New York [Conductor Roger Wilhelm] had the benefit of excellent soloists, particularly Allyn Van Dusen, who sang her Pie Jesu with simplicity and feeling (and no book, which made all the difference). City Newspaper, Rochester, New York ...there were moments of great beauty. Allyn Van Dusen's performance...was outstanding in every respect: her vocal tone was mellifluous and marvelously controlled and her sense of timing free but never reckless. Democrat Chronicle, Rochester, New York Mezzo soprano Allyn Van Dusen displayed a rich voice and fine phrasing. Wolfe Publications Allyn Van Dusen, as Lady Thiang, sang her famous "Something Wonderful" with great dignity, making it the emotional highlight of the show. City Newspaper, Rochester, New York Comments on first CD, Peace of Heart: The CD has arrived, and we all think it is WONDERFUL - so beautifully executed. Am bringing it to the attention of others and hope they will order it as well. Many thanks for producing something this beautiful! L.G., New Hampshire I love the Peace of Heart CD! The whole thing is really first class -- the beautiful voice of Ms. Van Dusen, the inspiring words, the obvious partnership, musically, of the organist and soloist, the nice liner notes and photos, and a real spirituality that shines through.... Please convey to her if possible how much I enjoy the CD. C., Seattle, WA Just a note of appreciation to you for your lovely program of beautiful music on your recently released CD. I hope that it sells lots of copies. The music is not only well chosen but sung beautifully. You truly have a gift from God that brings joy to those who hear. L.M., New York Thanks so much for sending the cassette so promptly. I gave it to our Music Chairman - can't wait to hear your beautiful voice in our little church! I love all the selections. Hope to hear you sing in person some day. P.L., Salisbury, NC We have enjoyed the lovely CD of the soloist at First Church, Rochester, so much. She has a beautiful voice. Seattle, WA Thanks for the precious CD of hymns by Allyn Van Dusen. She is great and First Church, Rochester, blessed. E.D., Seattle, WA Your CD is as comforting and healing to the listening ear as it is visually presented with beauty and dignity. The selections are an interesting mix--such a refreshing change....

With your rich mezzo voice, you select settings...most interesting and lovely. Oh, was I ever glad to see you offer one of Robert Collister's new settings. Don't you just treasure them! You have offered us healing in a clean and professional manner. Just lovely in every way. Thank you for this important contribution.

L.M., California

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