## Mp3 Sandy Cash - A Thing So Real



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With soaring melodies and fiendishly clever lyrics, these story-songs would hold you spellbound around the kitchen table, and knock your socks off at a comedy club. 11 MP3 Songs FOLK: Modern Folk, COUNTRY: Country Pop Details: On her latest album, A Thing So Real, Israel-based singer Sandy Cash takes a major step forward with a collection that builds on her solid reputation as a crowd-pleasing performer and showcases her talents as a songwriter. A Thing So Real serves up eleven literate story-songs that transverse the emotional terrain of modern life with memorable melodies, compelling lyrics, and Cash's trademark comic flair. In this new release (Dec. 2003) Cash reveals a mastery of the style that has endeared her to audiences all over the world. Recorded at Muso Productions in Jerusalem, A Thing So Real was produced by Mitch Clyman, a graduate of Boston's famed Berklee School of Music. Clyman also produced Cash's first album, Exact Change, in 2000. Heard on folk music radio from California to New Zealand, Exact Change received enthusiastic reviews in Ireland ("a collection of gems" - Nicky Rossiter, Rambles), Canada ("... the power and broad interpretive style of a Bette Midler or Barbra Streisand ... Sandy Cash has a very special gift, that more than a singer, she is an excellent storyteller." -Bob McKenzie, Soundbytes) and the United States ("... a recording well worth seeking out. The world is certainly a far happier and funnier place with Sandy Cash in it." - Roberta Schwartz, FAME Music Reviews). Exact Change also caught the attention of some of contemporary folk music's leading lights, including Christine Lavin, who featured Cash's music on her website, pointing out Cash's "...impeccable taste, a gorgeous voice [and] an ear for clever lyrics." A Thing So Real takes on a variety of subjects - the tug of war between independence and intimacy, the joy and chaos of parenthood, and the modern culture of consumerism. Cash's talent for comedy shines through in "The Survival of the Fittest" - an exploration of how Darwinian evolution may help women survive damaging notions about female body image - and

"The Madlibs Song" - in which a vacationing psychologist leaves her patient with a fill-in-the-blanks therapy session, with hilarious results. Two songs on the album relate directly to political events - current and historical. "The Children's Brigade" describes the cynical use of children in war, and the society-wide forces that come together to teach children to hate. "I wrote 'The Children's Brigade' three years ago, at the beginning of the current violence in Israel," says Cash. "Unfortunately, the message of the song is as timely as ever." "Giorgio Perlasca" is based on a true story of an Italian Christian who saved thousands of Jews during World War II. To avoid being drafted into a labor camp Perlasca went into hiding, seeking refuge with Angel Sanz-Briz, a Spanish diplomat known for issuing protective passes to Budapest's persecuted Jews. In the waning days of the war, Sanz-Briz fled the country and Perlasca boldly assumed the role of Spanish "ambassador," continuing Sanz-Briz's work and saving approximately 3,500 Hungarian Jews. Cash learned of this dramatic story while working as a translator for Yad Vashem, the Holocaust Memorial Authority in Jerusalem. "Writing this song allowed me to share a very dramatic story with my home audiences in Israel," says Cash. "By recording it, I hope to bring it to the world." A native of Detroit who has been living in Israel for 18 years, Cash has performed with the New Israeli Opera and the Kameri Theater, Tel Aviv. Track list: 1. This Love is Only for You 2. Strangers with One Heart 3. The Ghost 4. The Boy Next Door 5. The Madlibs Song 6. Survival of the Fittest 7. Beyond These Walls 8. Giorgio Perlasca 9. The Real Thing 10. The Children's Brigade 11. Into the Light (co-written with Mitch Clyman)

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