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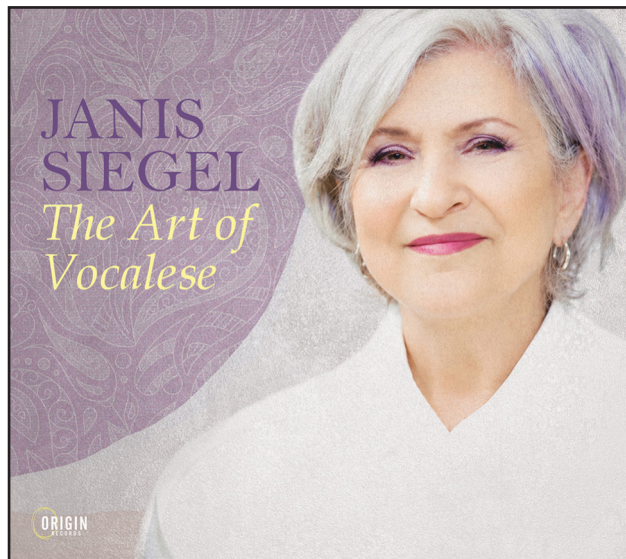
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JANIS SIEGEL

The Art of Vocalese

"My first project immediately after the retirement of The Manhattan Transfer, it's as much a tribute to The Manhattan Transfer and the work we did as anything else." **JANIS SIEGEL**

Few artists have done more to shape the modern language of vocal jazz than Janis Siegel. With her five remarkable decades with The Manhattan Transfer and the relationships with all the greats who defined the art, it only makes sense that her newest work would carry the title, *The Art of Vocalese*. More than a celebration of the uniquely demanding jazz tradition, the album is both a tribute to her mentor, Jon Hendricks, and a reflection on a lifetime devoted to inspired storytelling, beautiful vocal harmonies and joyous music-making. Joined by pianist/arranger John Di Martino, an exceptional band, and featured guests, Raul Midón, Lea DeLaria, Laurel Massé, and Lauren Kinhan, Siegel presents an elegant, joyful and richly expressive set of music, topped with the unveiling of several previously unrecorded Hendricks lyrics. *The Art of Vocalese* is the next step in this master artist's life that further defines her extraordinary career while carrying one of jazz's most exciting traditions forward.



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Origin 82958

FILE: VOCAL JAZZ



MARKETING:

- Home Markets: NEW YORK
- Founding member of *The Manhattan Transfer*
- Publicity & Grammy Campaign by Lydia Liebman
- International Performances
- DownBeat full-page label ad

- 1 **BARBADOS (BACK TO BARBADOS)** 5:06
- 2 **IT'S SAND, MAN** 3:26
- 3 **BYE BYE BLACKBIRD** 5:48
- 4 **IN THE PRESENCE AND ABSENCE OF EACH OTHER** 6:06
- 5 **UNSQUARE DANCE** 2:32
- 6 **DOWN FOR DOUBLE** 3:07
- 7 **FROM VIENNA WITH LOVE (TILL THE EARTH STANDS STILL)** 5:04
- 8 **GARNER'S STOMP (STOMPIN' AT THE SAVOY)** 2:51
- 9 **PICK UP THE PIECES**
(Vocal Version - K.O.B. Dance Mix) 5:07

JANIS SIEGEL Vocals
JOHN DI MARTINO Piano, Keyboards
LONNIE PLAXICO Basses
FRANK VIGNOLA (2,6) / **ED CHERRY** (8,9) Guitars
VINCE CHERICO Drums, guagua (4)
WAYNE ESCOFFERY Tenor Saxophone (4,9)
BOBBY SANABRIA Percussion (4,9)

Guest Vocalists:
RAUL MIDÓN (3) / **LEA DELARIA** (6)
JALALA Janis Siegel, Laurel Massé,
Lauren Kinhan (2,5)

Produced by Janis Siegel
Recorded by Steven Sacco at Sear Sound, NYC
on January 16, 2024
Mixed & Mastered by Dave Darlington
at Bass Hit Recording, NYC
Vocal & instrumental overdubs by Dave Darlington
(8,9) Background Vocals recorded at Baby Konehead Studios
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