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Media Alert: Peggy Duquesnel 'Summertime Lullaby' Jazz Standards and Love Songs (Joyspring Music JMP 203) Street Date April 6, 2010

Peggy Duquesnel – Piano / Vocals, Grant Geissman – Guitar, Mike Higgins – Guitar, Jim DeJulio – Bass, Ernie Nunez – Bass, Kendall Kay – Drums, Dave Owens – Drums

<http://www.peggymusic.com/>

CD Review: <http://www.jazzreview.com/cd/review-20983.html>

Peggy Duquesnel is the owner of a finely textured voice and it is demonstrated fully in "Days Of Wine And Roses" It starts out as a ballad and then jumps into high gear and swings like magic. Duquesnel gives this tune new life as her interpretation sails along like a drifting cloud wafting smoothly in a most soothing manner. Her piano solo makes ones foot tap and brings a smile as she gets it all in a way that is true to her musical artistry.

"Drivin Blues" A little back beat never hurt anyone and as matter of fact this song is hitting on all cylinders and grooves in a hipper than hipper fashion. The lyrics are as cool as a South Beach cocktail and just as tasty.

"Fly Me To The Moon" A superb melody is the hallmark of this Bart Howard tune. I knew a swing chorus was forthcoming and it blew me away, the pianistic styling of Peggy Duquesnel was in full bloom reminding me of the great pianist Lenore Raphael and the vocal was a lesson in driving in the fast lane with the top down without a care in the world.

This album is a treasure for the discerning ear and the literati and the glitterati should be well pleased with this recording. It is jazz at it best.

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