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New Christmas Originals CD from Vancouver Singer-songwriter Cat |



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**Vancouver Singer-songwriter Cat Levan
spreads the love with “The Joy of Christmas”**



Produced by Billboard chart-topper Steve Oliver, her new EP dropped on N





Longtime Vancouverite Cat Levan's second album (EP) **"The Joy of Christmas"** November 6th, breathes fresh feeling into the much-loved classic **"Silent Night"** introduces two new favourites that will have listeners craving snuggles and hot cocoa fire. Her sultry tone brings an intimate feel to #1 hitmaker Steve Oliver's engaging **"Watching the Snow Fall"**. The idea for her self-penned, softly-rhythmic title track **"The Joy of Christmas"** sparked earlier this year when she spotted a tiny Christmas tree in the studio where she was recording her first album **"Double Life"**.

"I love Christmas, not just the tinsel, lights and gifts, but the whole idea that there is a special year when people give a little more, care a little more and open up their hearts. Maybe we can't all hug right now due to Covid, but I hope this song feels like I'm giving you a big, warm, hug!" offers Levan.

As a lyricist, she is a storyteller who writes about love, connection and the warmth which suit the vulnerable qualities inherent in her ethereal voice.

"The Joy of Christmas" is dedicated to my Mom who always made Christmas so special for those who've lost someone and really feel that loss at this time of year," admitted Levan. She has also launched two videos on Youtube to accompany the album release: [The Joy of Christmas](#) , [Watching the Snow Fall](#) .

Levan found that remembering family times helped her let go of heartache. "The spark traditions which in turn, keep the memories alive. It's a wonderful way to honor those who are no longer with us," reveals Levan saying that the song "Watching The Snow Fall" "about the holidays becoming even more wonderful when spent with your special people. Creating new memories with them can once again make this a magical time of year. It's about feeling the love as you watch the snow fall..."

She brings a solid groove to "Silent Night", a well-known traditional Christmas carol. Her gospel rhythm speaks to the soul and gives an ancient song new life. Her voice gently carries the lyrics and brings renewed meaning to the words "heavenly peace".

The "The Joy of Christmas" EP contains the following songs: **"The Joy of Christmas Night"** and **"Watching the Snow Fall"**. Curl up with a glass of wine and listen to her as she casts a Christmas spell with "The Joy of Christmas"



About Cat Levan:

A former professional kick-boxer, restaurant owner, clothing designer, marketing illustrator – and mother, **Cat Levan** finally realized her long-held musical dream spring when she released her debut album, “**Double Life**”. The Vancouver-based artist worked with **Billboard Top 10 hitmaker and guitarist Steve Oliver** to write seven original songs. The 11-song recording produced by Oliver in his Southern California studio.

Her Canadian countryman and brother-in-law, contemporary jazz saxophonist **Wallace Roney** (married to her sister, **Juno** Award-nominated singer-songwriter **Melanie Chisholm**)

gusted throughout the collection that finished production just prior to the close border due to the coronavirus pandemic.

Tracks from the CD have been played by host **Nou Dadoun on “The A-Trane”** Vancouver's longest-running jazz radio show and are now charting in regular airplay rotation on jazz radio stations across the **USA and UK**, as well as on **“Wave FM”** Canada's main jazz station located in Southwestern Ontario.

Levan's quest for music brought her to the **Good Noise Vancouver Gospel Choir**, where she was a soloist, and **Soundscape A Capella** group where she discovered harmonies. She has been a guest artist with blues bands and classic rock bands but decided it was time to focus on her own music.

Levan's friend Chris Thornley, who plans the annual Blues festival for the Bank benefit in Surrey who like Levan is also a singer and marketing professional, said he's impressed with Levan's musical efforts. “The quality of production, arrangements and songwriting is first-class.”

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Aman Bassi, Surrey's youngest and coveted Executive Producer/ Director released her 1 new single 'Meri Jaan' on Saturday, April 4th. Earmarking her success from the direction production career, Aman forayed into the music industry in 2019 with her two previous launched songs 'Chaali Jaan de' and 'Vibe' that turned out to be one of the most trending songs on Spotify.

Popular for her incredible work in the film and television industry, Aman has also been a part of some really popular music videos such as ‘High rated Gabru’, ‘Issa Jatt’, ‘Too Hot’, ‘Pehla Pyaar’, ‘Baby Baby’, ‘Jatta Ve’, ‘Circles’, ‘Closer’ and many more.

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