

# Deborah Winters - Short Bio

On her soon-to-be released CD, *Lovers After All*, for the Jazzed Media label, Deborah joined forces with trumpeter/arranger/producer Peter Welker and a stellar cast of Jazz luminaries from San Francisco, New York, Boston and LA. This lofty big-band excursion traverses the vast expanse of jazz history - from the 40s to the present - from some of the best-loved standards to rarely heard gems. In choosing the songs in this recording, Deborah and Peter sought out jazz composers whose pieces provided the ideal platform to showcase her extraordinary versatility and her trademark feeling of intimacy.

A Bay Area native, Deborah began to perform in San Francisco nearly 2 decades ago with her guitar and original songs. As she expanded to include Jazz and other contemporaries she met the highly acclaimed pianist/arranger Frank Martin, with whom she collaborated and recorded her first release "live in session." She released her second original CD, "Inspired." with award winning producer/arranger Gary Malkin. Over the years, other collaborations with notable Bay Area greats have included legendary drummer Tony Williams, singer Bobby McFerrin and Brazilian guitarist Jose Neto.

Variety and versatility characterize Deborah's ongoing performance schedule as she continues to dazzle and uplift her audiences at Bay Area music festivals, concert halls, churches and house concerts. Her jam-packed teaching schedule attests to the profound impact she has on developing up-and-coming vocalists in a broad array of musical styles.

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