



Marlene Del Rosario

Marlene LIVE With a Little Help From Her Friends
(Blue Earth Corp.)

Marlene del Rosario is a native of Manila, Philippines, where her interest in jazz was fueled by her father's band, (The Executives' Band), which frequently jammed with (or opened for) the country's international guests—Duke Ellington, Gary Burton, Frank Sinatra, to name a few. Formerly a telecoms executive, she decided to change gear and pursue music at the Berklee College of Music in Boston, where she now resides.

Marlene's passionate vocals and melodic piano bring to mind DIANA KRALL's sultriness, ELIANE ELIAS's energy and JONI MITCHELL's lyricism. In her second album, **Marlene LIVE With a Little Help From Her Friends**, the dynamism of a live performance is captured in this collection of tasteful standards and Marlene's originals. Marlene takes the listeners through refreshingly free arrangements of jazz classics like **Invitation** and **Tenderly**, introspective regret in her original, **Shoes For a Soul**; and it's clear in the bluesy title cut, **With a Little Help From (her) My Friends**, that this album is truly a heartfelt message of gratitude to all those who've helped her realize her musical dreams.

Recently returned from her performance at the **2008 Philippine International Jazz Festival** where she opened for Cuban pianist, Omar Sosa, Marlene has also appeared in concerts and television interviews in South America. Her band, **The Marlene Jazz Ensemble** was part of the **2005 and 2006 Boston Arts Festivals**, **Winnekenni Castle's Ladies in Jazz** concert series, **Piers Park Concert Series**, Downtown Crossing Association's outdoor concerts and its highly publicized, **Jazz in July** concert series, **Ryles Jazz Club** for the UN-benefit to remove landmines in Mozambique, **Worcester's First Night** and Boston's Latin cable tv program, **Fernando's Hideaway**. Marlene was also recently interviewed on Boston's public radio **WGBH**, with host Al Davis from Jazz Gallery.

Marlene LIVE With a Little Help From Her Friends features Marlene with New England's stalwart musicians, the distinguished Greg Hopkins on trumpet, Patrick Mottaz on guitar, Dave Landoni on acoustic bass and Brooke Sofferman on drums. She is currently on the Blue Earth Music label, a division of Blue Earth Corporation.

Check out **Marlene LIVE With a Little Help From Her Friends** and **ADD** the CD to help us get the word out about **Marlene del Rosario**. If you need any more information, would like to speak with Marlene personally, or have any questions or requests that will help you through the review process, please don't hesitate to contact us.

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