

LEE GIBSON

'World-class British jazz singers are a rare breed at the moment, but Lee Gibson is certainly one of them. She continues to go from strength to strength, both on record and in person. While Cassandra Wilson leads the female vocal field in America, Lee Gibson has comparable status in Britain.' (Manchester Evening News)

Lee Gibson is a **'jazz vocal sensation'** (The Independent). A nationally and internationally acclaimed singer who has delighted critics and fans alike with her wonderful voice, innate sense of swing and dynamic stage presence. **'She is that rarity, a swinging singer who has also reached the highest standards of musicianship.'** (Time Out).

'Subtle...sensuous...joyful...musical' (The Stage). A superb, charismatic performer with a reputation for excellence that pulls in the crowds, her live appearances regularly set venue attendance records. **'Soaring, meticulous vocals....the perfect jazz voice, truly playing it like an instrument'** (Blackpool Evening Gazette).

She has been regularly featured in over 1,000 broadcasts on BBC Radio including 'live' broadcasts with the BBC Big Band (with whom she has also appeared in concert on many occasions) and the BBC Concert Orchestra on 'Friday Night is Music Night'. Lee was interviewed about her career by Russell Davies on his BBC Radio 2 show and recorded a series of songs which were featured on the programme over a five week period.

Lee has appeared at The Barbican, The Purcell Room, The Queen Elizabeth Hall, The Fairfield's Hall, Ronnie Scott's, seven seasons at Pizza on the Park, the 606 Club, The Spice of Life and at all the major jazz venues throughout the UK and Europe. Festival appearances in the UK and Ireland include Appleby, Ealing, London, Birmingham, Wigan, Marlborough, Edinburgh, Dundee, Newbury, Bude, Derry, Cork, Preston, Swanage, the Isle of Man and in 2015 at Dartmouth and Swansea.

In addition to being one of the UK's premier jazz performers, her talent continues to be recognised internationally. Lee has performed at festivals in France, Belgium, Germany, Denmark, the Czech Republic, Holland, Sydney, South Africa and represented the UK at the Latvian Jazz Festival in Riga.

As well as working with her own trio and quartet, Lee is a highly respected and accomplished big band singer. In Europe she has recorded and starred with The Netherlands Metropole Orchestra in Holland (**'Night Songs'** released by **Koch Jazz**), The UMO Jazz Orchestra in Finland, The WDR Band and The Franciscan Boland Band in Germany and the marvellous Danish Radio Band (conducted by the late great Thad Jones) in Denmark.

Lee accompanied the multi award winning Midlands Youth Jazz Orchestra at the opening night concert of the IAJE conference in Toronto and also appeared at festivals at Topeka and Palm Springs and at The Orleans Casino in Las Vegas with the Ken Peplowski Big Band.

Lee has a long association with leading UK jazz independent record label **Spotlite Records** which has seen the release of three solo albums **'Songs of Time and Place'**, **'Linger Awhile'** and **'Here's to Love'**. All have received universal critical acclaim. A further recording is scheduled for release in 2015.

Her many film and television credits include 'Victor Victoria', 'Privates on Parade', 'The Great Muppet Movie', 'An American Tail', 'Willow', 'Yentl', 'The Two Ronnies', 'The Morecambe and Wise Show', 'Only Fools and Horses', 'Barrymore', 'The Benny Hill Show' and 7 Royal Variety Shows.

'As far as I am concerned there can never be too much Lee Gibson...she lights up any song with her musicality.' (The Observer) **'She is, without doubt, the best jazz singer this country has produced in the last 40 years.'** (Digby Fairweather)

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