

MARY PANACCI (Short Bio)

Performer, recording artist and jazz vocalist Mary Panacci is a seasoned jazz vocalist whose career has been diverse and exciting. Her crystalline soprano voice is a natural instrument that is capable of conveying deep emotion and entrancing jazz lovers with her own unique style and innate ability to swing. Mary is very excited to be releasing her latest recording, *HER PERFUME* this April 21, 2015 at Toronto's premiere music venue, JAZZ BISTRO. Produced by her husband, pianist Anthony Panacci, this CD features thirty-five of Toronto's finest musicians and spectacular arrangements by Anthony Panacci, Shelly Berger and Luis Mario Ochoa.

Mary Panacci has been delighted to share the stage with some of Toronto's top jazz musicians including the legendary Guido Basso, and she has also been a featured performer with many popular big bands, including "The Jazz Mechanics" and "The Starlight Orchestra". Mary's jazz performances also include appearances at prominent jazz clubs and Festivals throughout Ontario.

In addition to her on-stage 'live' performances, Mary has also been an in-demand studio singer, and was commissioned by Fisher Price to record four CDs - three of which were in Italian. She has also enjoyed working for many exceptional producers, including the great Daniel Lanois. As a composer, she was thrilled that her original song "Let's Celebrate" was chosen as Mississauga's Millennium theme! The versatile Mary has also written award winning songs honouring her Italian/Canadian tradition, and her song "A Yarda Mia", won "Best Original" in the CHIN Italian Song Festival, and was a favorite on CHIN Radio.

Mary also has the pleasure of performing as a member of "The Sparklettes", which features Mary and vocalist Kathleen Eyman. They continue to dazzle audiences with various themed shows such as "The Fabulous Fifties" and "The Golden Era of the Big Bands".

Mary Panacci's prime focus in 2015 will be in promoting her new jazz CD, which will include radio and television appearances and performances at noted Canadian Jazz Festivals, top jazz venues and concert halls, as well as appearances at various Italian-Canadian events.