



SHEILA FORD

Cool, sexy, soulful and serene. With a voice that glistens like a string of pearls, musicianship beyond her years, and a lovely, irresistible stage persona, Sheila Ford is indeed a musical treasure. Vast experience as a vocalist and entertainer has equipped Miss Ford for nearly any challenge the music stage has to offer. Though Sheila has a special love for jazz (Ella Fitzgerald is one of her earliest and best loved influences), she has dazzled audiences in nearly every musical style-jazz, funk, r&b, blues, classic soul, pop, house, rock, Latin, even rap. No stranger to the studio, Sheila is a highly sought after session vocalist and songwriter. Producers and songwriters love her range, tone, versatility, and ear for harmony.

Whether she's jazzin' it up or rockin' the house, Sheila has what it takes and is loved by audiences and musicians alike.

Sheila is a graduate of the elite Berklee College of Music, Boston Massachusetts, where she majored in Music Education. In addition to exceptional vocals, Sheila plays the piano, organ, and has studied several woodwind, brass, string and percussion instruments. In 2004, she was added to the staff of The Maryland Conservatory Of Music as a vocal instructor. Sheila has also served as a juror for the Billy Holiday Vocal Competition in Maryland.

Sheila has toured with the Washington Jazz Ensemble performing in Russia and Greece to sold-out audiences. Numerous concert tours have taken her all over the world to Iceland, The United Kingdom, The Netherlands, Germany, France, Austria, Belgium, Asia and beyond. She has also had the pleasure of performing for numerous dignitaries including President Bill Clinton Sheila has performed, recorded, and shared stages with renowned artists such as Branford Marsalis, Wynton Marsalis, Frank Foster, Kim Waters, Gary Bartz, Bobby Watson, Jeff "Tain" Watts, Gary Thomas, Cyrus Chestnut, Antonio Hart, Ben Vereen, Alex Bugnon, Rachelle Farrell, Art Sherrod, Jr., The Midnight Movers (Wilson Pickett's band), "Wolfman" Jack, The Village People, Ann Nesby, Crystal Waters, CeCe Rogers, Maysa, Robin S., Nona Hendryx, Angie Stone, Ultra Nate', Barbara Tucker, Michael Watford, Marc Evans, Josef Sandler, Marti St. Michaels, Juanita Dailey, and numerous others. She has also worked with several internationally renowned producers including, Charles Docksins, DJ Spen, Louie Vega, The Muthafunkaz, Thommy Davis, At Jazz, Joey Negro, Kenny Dope, Michele Chiavarini, Kiko Navarro, Stacy Kidd, Gramophonedzie, Abicah Soul, DJ Pope, and DJ Oji. She is currently the vocalist for Raggs and the All Stars/SRO, a top-notch big band with strings led by trombonist Scott Ragsdale. She also has her own bands, The Sheila Ford Quintet, Sheila Ford and Friends, and Sheila Ford's Harlem Review.

Highly prized by bandleaders, sought-after by producers and songwriters, loved by audiences and musicians, and admired by singers, Sheila is a complete vocalist. She's equally at home in the studio layin' down hot tracks or on stage heatin' up an audience. Be sure to experience Miss Sheila Ford-the lady with a voice like a string of pearls.



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