

JNY M / The Suitcase

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Opera singer releases a surprising debut album of all original pop songs.

Jennifer Maines, who has been successfully singing classical music, specializing in opera for almost 3 decades, has released her debut album in the unexpected genre of pop music.

The album features 10 original songs with self-written lyrics and co-composed music, with her producer Ralf Metzler. The songs range from ballads to epic, almost-metal, and dance club sounds.

Maines' intention: "I wanted to write a collection of songs that not only show the depth, range and colours of my voice, but also represent a broad spectrum of my pop-music tastes."

Each song takes the listener on a journey, whether it be as a superhero as in the first track: *Villain*, or on a personal but universal struggle of letting go of the past as in the album's title song: *The Suitcase*, or on a sweet reflection of motherhood as in: *Letter To My Son*. Jennifer also aims to include her opera fans with an interactive song titled: *In The Opera* where her lyrics hint at 32 roles from 32 operas. Opera enthusiasts are encouraged to identify the roles and operas - have a look on her website jennifermaines.com to compare and check their answers. Other songs include a cheeky homage to the classical conductor: *Maestro*, a song about not giving up no matter what your age: *Breathe*, a song about unrequited love: *Love Astray*, a blast from the past in the groovy disco number: *Disco V's*, a married couple trying their hand at role playing on their scheduled: *Date Night*,

and lastly, the song that started Jennifer's whole process: *Devil's Bitch* which was born out of the death of her beloved mother.

Jennifer's stunning voice is warm, melodious and sweet. Her lead vocals are in the mezzo-soprano range while her background vocals range from high and light to smoky and raspy and include spoken sounds. Jennifer also utilizes her operatic voice giving a nod to her successful operatic career which she actively pursues.

Musicians on the CD include:

Ralf Metzler - Piano & Synthesizer, Percussions and Programming

Florian Obermoser: E & Ac-Guitars

Snezana Trajkovski: Cello on Villain and Letter To My Son

Florian Bramböck: Saxophone on Disco V's and Maestro

Peter Greier: E-Guitars on Devil's Bitch & Love Astray

Frajo Köhle: Ukulele & Accordeon on Date Night

Manuel Wallner: Drum Programming on Breathe

Walter Metzler: Drums on Maestro

Further credits:

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