JOAN BELGRAVE Short Bio

Detroit jazz singer, Producer, Composer, Joan Belgrave is a world class talent and a storied entertainer. She was singing at neighborhood parties from the time she was three, and from there she grew into a life of music. Her debut album Emotions Blue (a tribute to jazz vocal legend Billie Holliday) was released in 1998, and since then she has produced seven albums centered around her vibrant, soul-stirring vocals. Belgrave is known for her vibrant jazz singing but brings something special to any style she touches, often covering gospel, blues, big band and contemporary R&B. In addition to working with noted jazz figures like **Geri Allen**, **Ron Carter**, **Sheila Jordan**, **Regina Carter**, **Kirk Lightsey**, her late husband **Marcus Belgrave** and many others, she has also collaborated with big names in the rock and pop world and even with Detroit techno legend Carl Craig. She is also Lead vocalist with the Motown Legends Gospel Choir. Her travels around the world have taken her to historic venues like Baker's Keyboard Lounge, The Detroit Opera House and Dizzy's Club Coca-Cola in New York. She's bowled over crowds at The Toronto Jazz Festival, Jazz à la Villette in Paris, and The Ascona Jazz Festival in Switzerland.