

Stay Awhile
Tara Hawley
Album Press Release



“Stay Awhile” with Tara Hawley Singer/Songwriter Releases Debut, Original-Song Album

Recorded with producer Jim Wirt (known for his work w/ platinum selling artists such as Fiona Apple and Hoobastank), Tara Hawley’s long-anticipated, original-song album *Stay Awhile* brings a breath of fresh air to the modern pop scene. Infused with jazz, rock, and soul, Tara’s melodic, poetic tunes (all written or co-written by Tara) don’t fall slave to current pop trends but carve out their own niche.

The first single “Ready to Give You Love” is full of trumpets, jazzy rhythms, and tight harmonies, giving listeners a glimpse of her debut record. The song—inspired by her love of jazz and the classic pop songs of the late 60’s and early 70’s—captures a vintage, upbeat vibe with a fresh twist.

Filled with deep lyrics that don’t feel heavy and catchy hooks that will keep you coming back for more, this album is another great example that traditionally crafted music can still be mainstream. Grand piano, trumpets, cello, acoustic bass, guitars, and more make these songs come to life. Giving nods to previous decades in style and delivery, *Stay Awhile* remains classic and refined while creating fresh vistas

for its listeners. And, not least of all, Tara's smooth, sultry vocals will quickly capture your attention as her interpretations draw you in – the perfect complement to this original material.

"I've always been especially drawn to lyrical, melodic songs," says Tara, "that, even if they are upbeat and fun, have a story to tell ... I've also been so inspired by performers who are also great interpreters and can make you feel a song. It's always the best compliment I can receive: that someone felt something deeply as they listened to one of my songs or performances. Great art is really about communication and baring a little of our souls, whether we are in the role of artist or audience. It celebrates the moments of beauty and vulnerability that connect us all. I'm so excited to have you to share in a little bit of my story, and I hope it helps you feel that you're not alone in this fantastic, crazy journey called life."

Stay Awhile is available now worldwide. Please visit www.tarahawley.com/music_store for more information.

About Tara Hawley:

TARA HAWLEY is a jazz & pop singer from Northeast Ohio who entertains audiences with her smooth vocals and beautiful song interpretations. She is a graduate of The University of Akron and has headlined at venues such as Nighttown, BLUJazz+, Cain Park, and the Stocker Arts Center. In addition, she has the privilege of appearing as a guest vocalist on fellow musicians' recordings and performing as a featured soloist with the area's top talent—from jazz trios to full orchestras.

A fellow musician stated years ago that Tara is "fast becoming a stylist," for her singing evokes the spirit and sweet familiarity of the old in a new and refreshing style all her own. Local DJs are calling Tara "a dynamic singer," "definitely a star on the musical horizon" because they agree that she has something special—the unique ability to communicate the emotion of a song, along with the voice, pitch, and quality to back it up. For that reason, she has been compared with the likes of leading jazz and contemporary singers such as Ella Fitzgerald, Maureen McGovern, and Karen Carpenter.

As well as being a performer, Tara is an accomplished piano teacher and vocal coach and has worked as a model, film extra, and studio vocalist, lending her voice to jingles and demos. Also a songwriter and arranger, Tara will be releasing her first original-song album, *Stay Awhile*, recorded at Crushtone Studios in Cleveland, Ohio. The album was produced by Jim Wirt, who is known for his work with platinum-selling artists such as Fiona Apple and Hoobastank. *Stay Awhile* is available world-wide. To preview and purchase, please visit www.tarahawley.com

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