

Heather Bambrick: You'll Never Know

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You'll Never Know is the seductive new album by Canadian jazz singer Heather Bambrick. It's an album on which the award-winning and acclaimed singer is finely backed up by a top-tier, all-star team of Canadian musicians, and on which she clearly and quite effortlessly takes her time with a number of established standards, rearranged pop songs and theater pieces. This is a nice album, featuring highly entertaining music. It opens with Warren & Dubin's well-known standard, "I Only Have Eyes For You", and continues with a wonderful rearrangement of Bruce Cockburn's pop song "Lovers In a Dangerous Time", followed by Nat King Cole's "I Can't See For Looking".

This is an explosion of abundance, joy of life and fireworks! From a technical standpoint, it is over joyous: every musician (and the vocalist) is amazing. Especially brilliant are saxophonist John Johnson, and trumpet player Chase Sanborn. Artistically, I do miss some edge, but there are several highlights, including "A Time For Love".