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HEATHER BAMBRICK

«You'll Never Know»

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According to the press release from Toronto, Canada, vocalist Heather Bambrick is one of that country's best entertainers. She has worked with a number of international musicians such as Fred Hersch, Ian Shaw, Rob McConnell, and Peter Appleyard - to name some of the most famous – and has been a guest of several significant ensembles, as well as on a number of recordings. This indicates that we are dealing with a well-educated vocalist, something that you can easily hear on *You'll Never Know*.

She has a dream team of fellow musicians, including pianist Mark Kieswetter (who has played with Jon Hendriks and Zoot Sims), bassist Ross MacIntyre, drummer Davide DiRenzo (who has had the drumstool for Cassandra Wilson and Holly Cole) trumpeter Chase Sanborn (Ray Charles and Aretha Franklin), and guitarist Rob Piltch (Blood, Sweat and Tears).

The music is well placed within the mainstream segment, and the 14 tracks do not challenge the listener even once - but it is not at all necessary for this type of music to do so! Through it all Bambrick sings with a fascinatingly relaxed approach, and the musicians are doing exactly what they are supposed to do, with several of them delivering excellent solos.

The selections are just as they should be within this musical style, and while Bambrick has chosen some from musicians who are not generally found in this genre (for example Bruce Cockburn) the results are lovely.

Bambrick is a vocalist who has a clean and appealing voice and masters this form of jazz in a graceful way. The accompanying band is strong - especially noticeable are Guido Basso's beautiful flugelhorn solos.

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