

ACT**RIGMOR GUSTAFSSON I WILL WAIT FOR YOU**
LANDGREN AND THE FLESHQUARTET**RIGMOR GUSTAFSSON****I WILL WAIT FOR YOU**with Nils Landgren
The FleshQuartet
a.o.**ACT 9418-2**

LC 07644



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“Rigmor has her soul in her voice”
(Nils Landgren about Rigmor Gustafsson)

“Rigmor is the greatest jazz singer that we have had in Sweden for a very long time” wrote the Swedish newspaper Aftonbladet. For years Rigmor Gustafsson has been a star of the young, vital Swedish jazz scene and has already released three albums in her own name.

In Germany her highly-praised performance at the Berlin Jazz Festival in 2001 led to an invitation to the JazzBaltica Festival in 2002 as a result of which she could be introduced to the wider German audience as a “new star in the vocal heaven” (Jazzthetik). In the same year she guested on Nils Landgren’s successful *Sentimental Journey* album (ACT 9409-2). Now with the first ACT release *I Will Wait For You* she finally proves that she inherits seamlessly the tradition of great Swedish female vocalists such as Monica Zetterlund, Lill Lindfors, Sylvia Vrethammar and Alice Babs.

Rigmor was born and grew up on a small farm in Värmland, in the heart of Sweden. She started to play the guitar when nine years old and discovered jazz relatively early. It was soon clear that she wanted to make this passion her career. But where are the opportunities for a female guitarist to play with her band? She had a wonderful voice. So she hung up her guitar and changed to being a vocalist.

After studies at the Royal Academy of Music in Stockholm she quickly made a name for herself as a top vocalist on the Swedish scene. She worked with various bands, led some groups of her own, appeared on television and made numerous radio broadcasts.

In 1993 she moved to New York to study at the New School and Mannes College of Music with Sheila Jordan, Clark Terry, Richie Beirach, Phil Markovitz, Reggie Workman and Joe Chambers. She gigged on the New York scene with Fred Hersch and Ted Rosenthal, recorded with Randy Brecker, Bob Mintzer and Dick Oatts and was soon herself teaching at Mannes College of Music. She founded her first quintet with which she toured Europe.

She returned to Stockholm in 1996 and became a professor of singing at the Royal Academy Of Music. She composed and arranged for various jazz ensembles but particularly devoted time to develop her own material for her Swedish quintet.

“Her soul speaks to other souls” wrote Werner Burkhardt in the Süddeutsche Zeitung about her performance at JazzBaltica 2002 - and her voice and personality could not be described better.

ACT**RIGMOR GUSTAFSSON****The CD:**

I Will Wait For You – Rigmor Gustafsson with Nils Landgren & The Fleshquartet - ACT 9418-2 – LC 07644

Line Up:

Rigmor Gustafsson – vocals
 Nils Landgren – trombone & vocals
 Roberto Di Gioia - piano
 Lars Danielsson – bass
 Wolfgang Haffner – drums

Guests:

The FleshQuartet – strings
 Staffan Svensson – trumpet

Tracks:

01 Empty Hearts (McDonald) 02 Is It A Crime (Adu / Matthewman / Hale)
 03 If You Go Away (Brel / McKuen) 04 Makin' Whoopee (Donaldson / Khan)
 05 Fire And Rain (Taylor) 06 It Never Entered My Mind (Rodgers / Hart)
 07 Fever (Davenport / Cooley) 08 The Moon Is A Harsh Mistress (Webb)
 09 I Will Wait For You (Legrand / Demy / Gimbel) 10 It's been So Long (Gustafsson / Nyberg)
 11 Black Coffee (Webster / Burke) 12 The More I See (Norberg)

Produced by Nils Landgren

Executive Producer: Siegfried Loch

Recorded January, 28-30, 2003 at Polar Studio, Stockholm, Sweden by Jan Ugand

More ACT releases with Nils Landgren:

ACT 9409-2	Sentimental Journey	Nils Landgren with Rigmor Gustafsson, The FleshQuartet ...
ACT 9268-2	Ballads	Nils Landgren with Bobo Stenson, Palle Danielsson, E.S.T.
ACT 9281-2	Layers Of Light	Nils Landgren with Esbjörn Svensson
ACT 9257-2	Swedish Folk Modern	Nils Landgren with Esbjörn Svensson

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