## Melorie Jane – acclaimed South African jazz pianist – generating a buzz with a new CD, Hold the Stars!

Award-winning Melorie Jane (31) is set to thrill music lovers with her new CD launch as she performs in Cape Town from 2 May to 31 May.

"This album is a culmination of my experiences and engagements with God, serving as a source of inspiration for its creation. Through a rich tapestry of depictions, stories, and concepts, Hold the Stars explores the idea of living in full love and freedom," says Melorie Jane about her second album.

"In crafting this album, I invited the players to express themselves emotively, fostering a collaborative environment where music becomes a means of profound interaction."

"My appreciation for the fellow musicians on this album knows no bounds. Together, we have shared countless performances and walked a musical journey marked by challenges and growth. Their ability to bring new, interesting material to the table continually pushes me to evolve as an artist. Each musician brings their unique signature, drawing from their experiences performing on stages both in South Africa and abroad," explains Melorie Jane.

Hold the Stars, is a fusion of distinct South African jazz influences, evoking a sense of home, while also traversing the realms of film music and contemporary jazz. "Hold the Stars is more than just a collection of songs - it is a testament to the power of collaboration, creativity, and the human spirit. Through its heartfelt melodies and diverse influences, I hope this album resonates deeply with listeners and leaves a lasting impression on their hearts and minds."

Artists featured on this thrilling album is Melorie Jane on piano and vocals, Bonga Mosolo on trumpet, saxophonist and flutist Danél Dippenaar, Chadleigh Gowar on bass and Chanté Phillips on drums. Production by Uys Visser Productions and mastering by Tim Lengveld and Rushab Nandha of TL Mastering.

Melorie Jane has been praised for her energetic and original arrangements. Her debut album-More or Less (2021) – a fusion of contemporary South African jazz, was nominated in five musical categories at the Mzantsi Jazz Awards in 2022. She won the Best Jazz Album as well as Best Female Jazz Artist. She has also won the Best of South African Jazz Album of the Year 2022 after her debut album was top of charts on Vuka Online Radio for 11 months.

In promoting her new CD, Melorie Jane will perform with her quintet at different venues with some of Cape Town's finest musicians including Bonga Mosola on trumpet, Mark Lynch on saxophone, Chanté Phillips on drums and Chadleigh Gower on bass who will alternate with Bonolo Nkoane on drums and Danél Dippenaar on saxophone and flute at other venues.

Hardcopies of Hold the Stars will be available on sale at all performances. It is also available on all social media platforms.

Melorie Jane links

Website: https://meloriejane.co.za/

Spotify: https://open.spotify.com/artist/5NE7Re2uiABrj44sckzUAy

YouTube: https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCqvhCifHN4WmUM9vYBOgjWw

Instagram: https://www.instagram.com/melorie\_jane/

X (Twitter): @MelorieJane)

TikTok: https://www.tiktok.com/@meloriejane

LinkedIn: https://www.linkedin.com/in/melorie-jane-a53247264/

iTunes: https://music.apple.com/us/artist/melorie-jane/ Hashtags #jazzpianist #southafricanjazz #meloriejane

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