

LUCIANA SOUZA

QUOTES

"Her voice traces a landscape of emotion that knows no boundaries."

- ***Entertainment Weekly***

"She continues her captivating journey as a uniquely talented vocalist who organically crosses genre borders."

- ***Billboard Magazine***

"Luciana Souza is a jazz singer who doesn't inhabit the normal jazz-singer role. She's also a composer and arranger of considerable gifts, and there's a lot going on in her music; characterizing it from one piece to the next becomes difficult. Her quintet, built with some of the best players in New York, isn't always a quintet. Her performance contracts and expands: sometimes the strength of the conception is in five players, sometimes three, sometimes two, sometimes Ms. Souza alone.

- ***The New York Times***

"...the ethereal, wordless vocal lines that singer Luciana Souza unfurled...made this quartet sound unlike any other...[her] haunting, technically mercurial scat lines floated easily above the ensemble sound."

- ***Chicago Tribune***

"Souza phrases with the wisdom of an old soul. With a refined, fluid voice, she's a master of rhythm and pitch and knows how to get to the core of a melody - her interpretive sensibility projects clarity, emotional openness and keen, almost detached self-knowledge. As these recordings attest, she is a highly trained musician and composer who sees the larger picture, a consequential storyteller-poet in English and in Portuguese who is keenly aware of how she wants to frame her sound."

- ***Downbeat Magazine***

Her voice is singular in sound, at once sultry and supple and deeply musical."

- ***Seattle Post-Intelligencer***

"[Luciana Souza] a New Yorker from Brazil whose singing bridges with breathtaking finesse the not-so-wide gap between Brazilian pop and American jazz. Souza's voice is low, soft and as agile as an otter in water, and it is a sensual pleasure to hear her sing in Portuguese, that most liquid and supple of languages. How marvelous that a singer unknown to me a month ago should now be one of my favorites!"

- ***The Washington Post***