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CHRISTMAS WITH MY FRIENDS III

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Nils Landgren / trombone, vocals Sharon Dyall / vocals Jonas Knutsson / saxophones Jeanette Köhn / vocals Eva Kruse / bass Jessica Pilnäs / vocals Ida Sand / piano, vocals Johan Norberg / guitar

Recorded live in concert at Storkyrkan, Stockholm

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After two very successful recordings of Christmas melodies and extremely well received concerts, the decision had to be made. Shall we make a third one or not, are there still songs to be sung, is there an audience for it?

We, meaning everyone in the group, decided to give it a go and we found so many songs just waiting to be sung and played. Songs with a connection to Christmas, in one way or the other.

We wanted to stay in the tradition of the first two albums and I believe that this collection of songs truly reflects all our thoughts and wishes. A time to enjoy the company of our dear ones, a time to relax and to contemplate but also a time filled with the joyful spirits that we all associate with the conception of Christmas.

To record the music live was important and we went for the biggest church in Stockholm, Storkyrkan. Over 1500 people came to listen and I promise that they were all there, even if it is not to be heard on the recording until the very end. For all of us performing, it was a magic evening and I believe that the audience felt the same way.

Our hope is that we can give to you the same feeling as we had during our performance that became this album, Christmas With My Friends III.

Merry Christmas!

Love, & Christmas With My Friends (CWMF)

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01 Christmas Is Here (Nils Landgren / Johan Norberg) 3:08

Nils Landgren, vocals & trombone / Johan Norberg, guitar

02 Dagen är kommen (trad. arr. by CWMF) 3:40

Performed by all

03 Ett barn är fött (trad. arr. by Pilnäs, Sand, Landgren & Kruse) 3:16

Jessica Pilnäs, voc / Ida Sand, p / Nils Landgren, trombone / Eva Kruse, bass

04 Imagine (John Lennon / arr. by Norberg & Landgren) 3:50

Nils Landgren, voc & tb / Johan Norberg, g / Dyall, Köhn, Pilnäs & Sand, backing-voc

05 Someday At Christmas (Stevie Wonder / arr. by Norberg) 4:00

J. Pilnäs, voc / J. Norberg, g / I. Sand, p / J. Knutsson, sax / E. Kruse, b / N. Landgren, tb

06 Somebody Talkin' (trad. arr. by Dyall, Knutsson & Kruse) 2:52

Sharon Dyall, vocals / Eva Kruse, bass / Jonas Knutsson, sax

07 Giv mig ej glans (Jean Sibelius / Zachris Topelius) 3:51

Ida Sand, piano & vocals

08 Ich steh an Deiner Krippen hier (trad. arr. by Kruse, Knutsson, Norberg & Landgren) 3:09

Nils Landgren, tb / Jonas Knutsson, sax / Eva Kruse, b / Johan Norberg, g

09 Away In A Manger (trad. arr. by CWMF) 2:44

Köhn, Pilnäs, Dyall & Sand, vocals / Nils Landgren, tb & voc / Johan Norberg, g Jonas Knutsson, sax / Eva Kruse, bass

10 Gläd dig, du Kristi brud (trad. arr. by Köhn, Sand & Landgren) 3:32

Jeanette Köhn, vocals / Ida Sand, piano / Nils Landgren, trombone

11 River (Joni Mitchell / arr. by Ida Sand) 4:16

I. Sand, p & voc / N. Landgren, tb / J. Norberg, g / J. Knutsson, sax / E. Kruse, b

12 Nativity Carol (John Rutter / arr. by Sand, Köhn, Knutsson & Kruse) 4:20

Ida Sand, p & voc / Jeanette Köhn, voc / Jonas Knutsson, sax / Eva Kruse, b

13 Bethlehem Down (Peter Warlock / arr. by The Kings Singers) 2:43

A cappella sung by all

14 Tochter Zion (Georg F. Händel / Friedrich H. Ranke / arr. by CWMF) 3:29

Jeanette Köhn, voc / Nils Landgren, tb / Johan Norberg, g / Jonas Knutsson, sax / Eva Kruse, b / back-voc by Dyall, Pilnäs & Sand

15 Infant Holy, Infant Lowly (trad. arr. by Dyall, Sand, Knutsson & Kruse) 5:22

Sharon Dyall, voc / Ida Sand, piano / Jonas Knutsson, sax / Eva Kruse, bass

