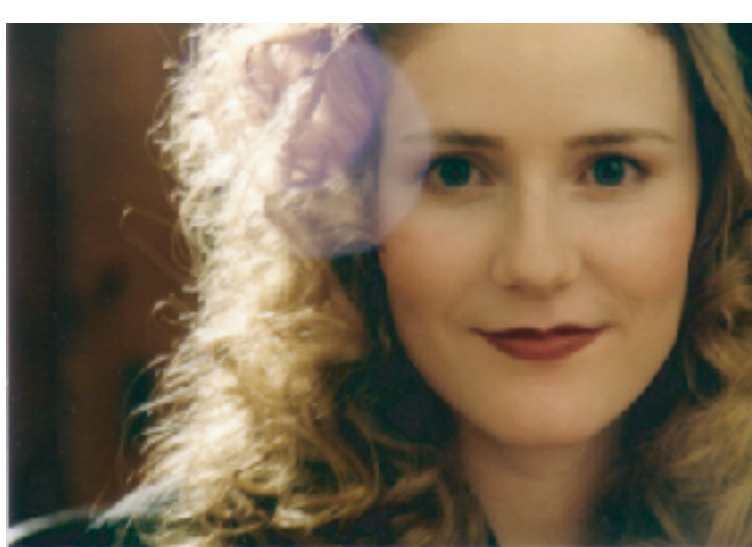


# monica de leon

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Monica De Leon, is a native to the Washington, DC area. Monica has been most influenced by the vocalists and instrumentalist of the 1940s and 1950s. From the swing era to bop and cool to warm jazz-- if she has her choice she gravitates towards the harmonically complex but grooving mid-tempo standards. She also has embraced the Bossa Novas of Jobim as inspired by her late teacher Pam Bricker. She has been told her vocal tone harkens to Chris Connor's Atlantic years. She counts Stan Getz as one of her biggest harmonic and improvisational influences. Monica has been a professional jazz singer in the Baltimore/Washington DC area since 1999.

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## Monica Schwartz



### Biography:

### Education and Experience

Monica graduated from the Peabody Conservatory in 2001 with triple Bachelor of Arts in Music Composition, Music Education, Bassoon Performance, and a minor in vocals jazz. While attending Peabody on full scholarship she performed and experienced a variety of musical styles-- from baroque to post-modern and beyond to jazz. Jazz took center stage in her life when she teamed up with swing band Blue Sky 5 as their lead vocalist (1999-2003). Performing over 250 concerts she sang a variety of public and private events. She often sang for packed houses or festivals with crowds from thirty to thousands. She also has performed a number of high profile private events for US senators, film organizations, universities, and five star hotels. She recorded a CD with Blue Sky 5 in 2001. She has also performed as a musical guest several times on the television show "Swing Central" (Channel 33 Arlington, VA) and award winning show produced by Tom Greco. Monica currently is a freelance vocalist in the Washington DC/Baltimore area. Monica studied jazz vocals with Pam Bricker and while at Peabody with Eric Kennedy. She also has taken several lessons or workshops with Stephanie Nakasian and Charles Covington.

### Currently

Monica performs with the Main Street Southern Jazz Band. Main Street is a six piece New Orleans style jazz band that brings great energy to every performance. Monica also performs freelance with a variety of groups and jazz styles.

Monica also teaches instrumental music at Manor Woods Elementary School in Howard County. She also actively teaches private lessons for reed instruments with a focus on Bassoon. Monica resides in Jessup with her husband Ariston De Leon and two beloved pugs Dizzy and Bandit.

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### song list:

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|----------------------------------|--------------------------------|------------------------------|
| A Tisket A Tasket                | He's Funny that Way            | Midnight Sun                 |
| Ain't Misbehavin'                | Hit That Jive, Jack            | Moonglow                     |
| All Blues                        | Honeysuckle Rose               | Moonlight In Vermont         |
| All of Me                        | How Deep is the Ocean          | Multi-color Blue             |
| All the Things you are           | How High the Moon              | My Funny Valentine           |
| Almost Like Being in Love        | I Cover the Waterfront         | My Melancholy Baby           |
| And Her Tears Flowed Like Wine   | I Don't Know Enough About You  | My One and Only Love         |
| Angel Eyes                       | I Got It Bad                   | Nature Boy                   |
| As Time Goes By                  | I Got Rhythm                   | Nice Work If You Can Get It  |
| Autumn Leaves                    | I love being here with you     | Night and Day                |
| Azure                            | I Remember You                 | No Moon at All               |
| Bei Mir Bist Du Shoen            | I Wanna Be Loved By You        | On the Sunny Side of the St. |
| Blame it on My Youth             | I want you to be my baby       | Over the Rainbow             |
| Blue and Sentimental             | I Was Doing Alright            | Paper Moon                   |
| Blue Skies                       | I'm Beginning to See the Light | Pennies from Heaven          |
| Body and Soul                    | I'm Confessin'                 | Perdido                      |
| But Not For Me                   | I'm Old Fashioned              | Polka Dots and Moonbeams     |
| Bye Bye Blackbird                | I've Found a New Baby          | Prelude to a Kiss            |
| Cheek to Cheek                   | I've Got the World on a String | Red Wagon                    |
| Cherokee                         | I've Got You Under My Skin     | Robin's Nest                 |
| Close Your Eyes                  | If I Had You                   | Route 66                     |
| Come Rain, Come Shine            | In a Mellow Tone               | Satin Doll                   |
| Comes Love                       | Is U is or is U aint           | Sentimental Journey          |
| Dancing in the Dark              | It's All Right with Me         | Sentimental in the Rain      |
| 'Deed I Do                       | It's Only a Paper Moon         | Shiny Stockings              |
| Deep Purple                      | It Had To Be You               | Skylark                      |
| Dindi                            | It Don't Mean a Thing          | Solitude                     |
| Do Nothin' Till you Hear from Me | Jersey Bounce                  | Someone to Watch Over Me     |
| Don't Get Around Much            | Joint is Jumpin'               | Stardust                     |
| Dream a Little Dream of Me       | Jump, Jive and Wail            | Stompin at the Savoy         |
| Early Autumn                     | Jumpin' with Symphony Sid      | Stormy Weather               |
| Embraceable You                  | Just Friends                   | Straighten Up & Fly Right    |
| Everything Happens To Me         | Just You, Just Me              | Summertime                   |
| Everything I Have Is Yours       | Kiss To Build A Dream On       | Sunny Side of the Street     |
| Exactly Like You                 | Knock Me A Kiss                | Sweet Ga. Brown              |
| Fare Thee Well                   | La Vie En Rose                 | Sweet Eileen                 |
| Fascinating Rhythm               | Lady Be Good                   | 'S Wonderful                 |
| Fever                            | Laughin' at Life               | Take the A Train             |
| 5 mos.2 wks.2 days               | Let's Call the Whole Thing Off | That Old Feeling             |
| Flat Foot Floogie                | Let's Get Away from it All     | The Way You Look Tonight     |
| Flip, Flop and Fly               | L-O-V-E                        | The Party's Over             |
| Fly Me to the Moon               | Love-Move the World Go Around  | Them There Eyes              |
| Foggy Day                        | Love is Here to Stay           | These Foolish Things         |
| Four                             | Love you Madly                 | They All Laughed             |
| Frim Fram Sauce                  | Lover Man                      | They Can't Take That Away    |
| Gee Baby Ain't I Good to you     | Mack the Knife                 | 'Till There Was You          |
| Ipanema                          | Makin' Whoopie                 | Tuxedo Junction              |
| Glory of Love                    | Man I Love                     | Undecided                    |
| Goin'to Chicago Blues            | Memories of You                | Unforgettable                |
| Goody Goody                      |                                | The Very Thought Of You      |