## Patti DeRosa

## Contemporary acoustic music peppered with rhythm and spice



"A honey-warm voice, clear and adventurous guitar work, and incisive lyrics are all hallmarks of Patti's work, and they are still only the tip of her talent iceberg. See this musician soon wherever you can and tell a friend, like I am doing now. It'll be the best 'I told you so' that you've ever told". Vance Gilbert, performer

"A must-see artist with a unique talent that is becoming increasing rare: she has something to say and a powerful way to say it." Motif Magazine

"Patti DeRosa is a gem that stands out in the vast sea of singer/songwriters." Madalyn Sklar, GoGirlsMusic.com

"A stellar guitarist and a dynamic performer." Terence Martin, performer

"She breaks out of her straight folk box and lets herself swing with smooth vocals made for the blues, easing naturally into the groove like melted butter...a cool drink on a hot summer's night..." Kevan Breitinger, Indie-Music.com

"Patti DeRosa is a pro with a strong following who always brings out a bunch of fans. The real watchword in my mind is "connection", and not every performer has it, but Patti connects big time. Her songwriting and lyrics focus on the human condition in a way that few can ...". George LeBlanc, The Nameless Coffeehouse, Cambridge, MA

Looking for contemporary acoustic music peppered with rhythm and spice? Patti DeRosa is an alchemist conjuring up an eclectic mix of musical magic...it's a soft finger-picking ballad and a jazzy groove, an island rhythm and an edgy rocker, a political commentary and a humorous rhyme, strong originals and unique covers...You never know what you're going to get and DeRosa likes it that way. She revels in diversity, both personally and musically (when she's not making music, she's the President of ChangeWorks Consulting, which focuses on workplace and community diversity - www.changeworksconsulting.org). Her music is a treat that is delivered with a stage presence that draws the audience in and warms the heart. She is a powerful presence, equally, fun, funky, and sizzling.

Patti has shared the bill with many established artists including Antje Duvekot, Emma's Revolution, Vance Gilbert, Vicki Genfan, Terence Martin, Lisa Moscatiello, Kevin So, and even the Four Tops. Her tour schedule has brought her not only to many parts of the United States but to Europe, Central America, and the Caribbean. Her music can be heard on WUMB, WFUV, and many other radio stations in the U.S. and abroad.

Her latest CD, *Packing My Bags: Patti D Live (2011)*, features 12 new songs, a few old favorites, and even a Billie Holiday cover. And of course, there is Patti's signature storytelling and humor, making this CD one that captures that true feel and fun of a live concert. Her 2<sup>nd</sup> CD, *Secrets and Stories (2007)* is bursting with the flavors of jazz, R&B, rock, and funk, all grounded in a folk sensibility. Patti's smooth vocals and crisp guitar playing are supported by a stellar cast of musicians and the songwriting overflows with passion, insight, and attitude. Though this CD features a full band, Patti's percussive guitar style carries on the groove in her live performances. Her 1st CD, *Paradise*, (2005) was nominated for Best Local CD by Motif Music Magazine (Providence, RI), which also nominated her for *2010 Best Female Vocalist*.

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