

Mp3 Emma Jean Foster - Stand Tall

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A mixture of soul stirring African American gospel, spirituals, hymns and patriotic songs 9 MP3 Songs
GOSPEL: Traditional Gospel, FOLK: Traditional Folk Details: Emma Jean Foster, vocalist, actress, producer, arranger and teacher, has dedicated much of the last decade of her artistic life to the research, teaching and performance of great African American traditional hymns, spirituals and gospel songs. Within the past ten years, Ms. Foster has recorded and produced three albums and a gospel dvd. A native of Seattle Washington and long time resident of San Francisco, Foster is a veteran vocalist, percussionist and producer whose career has spanned 30 years. Since the 1980's, Emma Jean Foster has been regarded as one of the San Francisco Bay Area's most versatile singers. See photos of Emma singing for Hillary Clinton at EmmaJeanFoster.us Whether as a vocalist, percussionist, songwriter or producer, Foster has performed on over 100 recordings by and with such artists as Carlos Santana, Michael Narada Walden, Todd Rundgren, Pee Wee Ellis, Taj Mahal, Wilson Pickett, Richie Havens, Odetta, Eric Bibb, Glide Memorial United Methodist Church, Mayou Angelou, Kitka, Linda Tillery, Emmit Powell The Gospel Elite and many others. In the 90's Emma Jean took command of an even broader repertoire, tapping into the diverse resources of African American roots music, work songs, spirituals, play songs, field hollers, moans and ring shouts. To deepen her understanding of this music's deep Southern roots, Emma Jean joined forces with cultural historian, Linda Tillery who interviewed and sung with many local folk artists in Georgia, South Carolina and North Carolina. With a voice that critics worldwide have compared to those of Mahalia Jackson and Aretha Franklin, Foster weaves myriad musical threads and cultural traditions into a stunning single fabric. The musical magic of Emma Jean's voice has reached millions. Her virtuosity, talent, elegance of delivery and grace touch all that hear her. Whether performing the National Anthem at major sports events, singing at Carnegie Hall, the Berlin Jazz Festival or for a Presidential breakfast, this incredible coloratura soprano has developed a natural, unforced style that is an ever unfolding, growing testament to the power of a great voice to elicit and unlock the emotional potential of the music for the audience. Emma Jean's vocal abilities have inspired the following comments:) "...To Emma Jean - Keep bringing us joy with your gift of song! Much love. May God Bless

you always..." Tipper Gore, photographer, author, wife of Al Gore, former vice-president of the United States of America "...Emma Jean...A breath taking experience..." Reverend Cecil Williams of Glide Memorial Church, pastor, activist, author, songwriter and producer "...[She is] the secretary of soul..." Linda Tillery, Grammy nominated musician, recording artist and produce, cultural historian "...Beautiful voice, beautiful spirit..." Bernice Johnson Reagon, founder of Sweet Honey in the Rock "...Girl, you wear me out..." Dr. Mayou Angelou, poet, educator, historian, best-selling author In 2004 Emma Jean made a major decision to incorporate her talent of acting, singing, songwriting, arranging and producing into a gospel video which features Stand Tall, written and performed by Emma Jean Foster. The "Stand Tall" video was filmed and produced by Godfrey Silas and Digital Glamour TV and was recently featured on San Francisco's Comcast Cable Channel 11.

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