## **Mp3 Janie Horton - Heavenly Whispers**

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The music is quiet and introspective but full of emotional power. 13 MP3 Songs in this album (57:49)! Related styles: NEW AGE: Solo Instrumental, NEW AGE: Healing People who are interested in George Winston David Lanz Suzanne Ciani should consider this download. Details: Janie Horton is a pianist and a composer who has been recognized both domestically and internationally with the successful releases of her recorded music CDs. She is known for composing touching music from her heart, and many people have shared her music across the world for therapeutic purposes.

\_\_\_\_\_ Review by Kathy Parsons for solopianopublications.com "Heavenly Whispers" is a shimmeringly beautiful second release by pianist/composer Janie Horton. Some of the tracks are solo piano and others feature Daniel Kobialka on violin, Verlene Schermer on harp, and/or Valerie Hayes with wordless vocals. Janie also adds keyboard textures to some of the music, but this is minimal. The music is quiet and introspective but full of emotional power. ...... The CD opens and closes with two versions of "Lullaby for Daddy," which features harp and voice as well as piano. Gentle and soothing, the piece invites relaxation and surrender. As the title implies, "Mourning Light" carries a feeling of tragedy and loss, deepened by the soulful violin. As it evolves, the mood lightens to a more hopeful feeling and ends peacefully. "Para El Hotel Casa Real" is one of the solos, and is much more serene. I was lucky enough to see Janie play this live, and she described the place that inspired the music as a bit of heaven on earth. Warmth, peace, and tenderness run through the music, making this a favorite. "Ballerina Angel" is another favorite. A bit more upbeat and lively, it has the swirling movement and grace of a dancer with the sweetness of an angel - very lovely! "Where Did He Go" tugs at the heartstrings with piano and violin. Melancholy and questioning, this piece is so sad! "The River Runs Deep" is again more optimistic and has a wonderful flowing quality. This is mostly a piano piece, but the violin parts add poignance and additional color. "Sweet Child of Mine" is a tender love song to a dear son. There are thirteen tracks on "Heavenly Whispers," and they are all gorgeous. Reflective and deeply felt, Janie Horton's music reaches out, offering comfort and peace. Sure to be one of my favorites of the year! Very highly recommended!

What is Janies background? Janie was born and raised in Oklahoma, where she resided from 1957 1985. She, then, resided and worked in Naples, Florida in the healthcare industry, all while continuing to perform with local bands there from 1985 1997. In 1997, she moved to the San Francisco Bay area, where she still lives. She received her Bachelor of Music Degree with Distinction in Piano Performance from the University of Oklahoma in 1979, and her Master of Business Administration Degree from Nova University in Ft. Lauderdale, Florida in 1994. She began the studies of dance and piano as a very young girl, performing in the local Civic Ballet, and winning many piano performance awards. Upon graduation from college, she taught piano and performed keyboards and vocals with a local band that received national acclaim by winning a national competition in 1983, resulting in a U.S.A. tour covering more than 40,000 miles. Her work in healthcare in Florida built her awareness of the pressures and pains caregivers and family members often endure. While in Florida, she returned to school to receive her business graduate degree. She is also the mother of a wonderful son who is in college in San Francisco. She and her husband were married in Chile, and she is now, also, the stepmom of two beautiful little girls. Janie has remained active in the San Jose, CA community by serving as President of Steinway Society the Bay Area for a two-year term of 2006-2008. What does METAXY mean? METAXY is the name of Janie's publishing company taken from the Greek language meaning "realm of (the) soul", and it exemplifies the type of connection Janie is attempting to create with people through her gift of piano music. Janie's music CDs are available for anyone in need of comfort and soothing. It is her desire to have her 'gifts' utilized for this main purpose...to comfort people in pain and stress. Janie has voluntarily performed for the Relay for Life events sponsored by the American Cancer Society around the Bay Area and for Hospice events. And she has worked closely with the Centre for Living with Dying in Santa Clara, CA by playing her music at their events as well. Janie has performed in venues on both coasts of the United States, receiving comments from audience members expressing that her music is relaxing, healing, and how it awakens one's own introspection. Janie has also performed as a solo pianist for in-home concerts in such countries as Chile and New Zealand. She has also performed in Shanghai, China with internationally acclaimed violinist, Daniel Kobialka, both having been received warmly and affectionately. Her music continues to be played and reviewed on radio stations and in stores in countries such as Romania, Hungary, Australia, Taiwan, and China. What are some of Janies accomplishments? Janie was the recipient of the Association of Fundraising Professionals Silicon Valley

Philanthropy Day Award Distinguished Volunteer for her work as President of Steinway Society the Bay Area. This was part of National Philanthropy Day, and the award winners were featured in the November 2007 issue of San Jose Magazine. Janie was elected and served as President of Steinway Society the Bay Area for a two-year term (2006-2007 Season and 2007-2008 Season). This is a non-profit organization based in San Jose, California that presents a solo piano concert series featuring concert pianists from around the world. And, this organization provides music scholarship awards and music educational programs to the community at large as well. She recorded her first original piano music CD entitled, a gift from janie, that rose to #13 on the New Age Voice album chart in 2001. It has been played on radio stations around the world and was also produced and distributed in China and Taiwan. She recorded her second original piano music CD entitled, Heavenly Whispers in 2003, and both CDs are utilized by Hospice grief counselors, church groups, Reiki classes, massage therapists, acupuncture therapists, hypnotherapists, and individuals. Both CDs are also listed with BMI. Her website was established and is currently maintained (janiehorton.com) and her trademarks have been legally registered for the name (METAXY) and for her logo for music business purposes. Janie was the keyboardist and vocalist for the John Arnold Band, the 1982 National Winner of the Wrangler Country Showdown in Nashville, Tennessee. Janie performed and toured professionally with this band, based in Norman, Oklahoma from 1979-1983, and after winning the Wrangler Country Showdown, the band toured over 40,000 miles across the USA opening shows for Ricky Skaggs, Exile, and performed in the Cotton Bowl Parade in Dallas, Texas. The John Arnold Band also won a \$50,000 cash prize, a grand piano, a one-year booking contract with Top Billing, and a one-year recording contract with Compleat Records all out of Nashville, Tennessee. Janie has more than twenty-seven (27) years experience in piano instruction, music arranging, studio recording of original piano compositions (that have been distributed both domestically and internationally), performing across the USA in an award-winning band, performing domestically and internationally as a solo artist, and designing and performing her own choreographed stage production of her original music reflecting the grief process.

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