

Nicole Hart



"TREASURE" Nicole's first studio release for Blues Leaf Records, release date April 14, 2009, debuted on the Living Blues charts at #14, climbed to #3 on the Sirius/XM Satellite Radio B.B. King's Bluesville Charts, and has two songs currently in rotation on the nationally syndicated Music Choice television channel. In May 2009, Nicole became an award-winning vocalist, being recognized as "Female Vocalist of the Year" by the 5th Annual Los Angeles South Bay Music Awards.

Coming to national attention on the Blues, Soul & Roots scene in 2008, Nicole Hart made an impressive beginning completing three highly successful tours: she was the featured female performer of Jacksonville Beach, Florida's "Springing the Blues"; a featured female headline act at Laconia, New Hampshire's Big Three Motorcycle Week; and performed the Jersey Shore's Red Bank Jazz & Blues Fest, among other renowned venues on the national circuit. Her initial independent CD release, "*Nicole Hart & The NRG Band, Live!*" received airplay on radio stations worldwide.

During a recording session for 2008 Blues Foundation Nominee Albert Castiglia, she met up with Blues Leaf Records President Joseph Morabia, who signed her to the label.

Her 2009 Blues Leaf debut, "TREASURE," featuring a duet with label-mate Castiglia, is produced by Grammy award winner, Jack Kriesberg (Paquito D'Rivera, Elvin Jones), is engineered and mastered by Grammy award winning engineer, Ben Elliott (Eric Clapton, Keith Richards), and is distributed by Allegro Distribution (Barnes & Nobles, Borders, CD Universe, Tower.com, Amazon.com, etc.) Music Director & keyboardist extraordinaire, Lance Ong, who produced her previous CD, shines as musical arranger & on baby grand and B-3 organ.

"Fans who enjoy the blues-infused eclecticism of established stars Shemekia Copeland and Janiva Magness will find Hart a kindred spirit." ~ Blues Revue, September 2009"

In the 16 years that the Blues Summit has been on WMWV, I've heard a lot of Blues singers & bands. Occasionally a singer comes along that perks you ear and makes you think, "Yeah there's something special there." That's Nicole Hart. " ~ - Roy Prescott, 93.5 WMWV's Blues Summit, Conway, NH

With a vocalist who can sing practically anything she wants, and who helps write her own material along with a tight, hard working band; the Nicole Hart Band is ready for the next level of national stardom." ~ -Ben Cox, Juke Joint Soul

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