

# JULIET WOOD

## SCONSOLATO

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London based jazz vocalist Juliet Wood is set to firmly establish herself as a voice to be heard with the release of her debut album *Sconsolato*. This self-confessed 'musical magpie' has pulled together a collection of tunes chosen for, and connected through, shimmering harmonies that are eloquently described by beautiful melodic lines.

Each song holds a particular magic that inspired Juliet to colour it from her own tonal palette ranging from dark and smoky through crystalline and transparent.

Her collaboration with three masters of Latin-flavoured Jazz - John Crawford (piano), Andrés Lafone (bass) and Andrés Ticino (drums & percussion) - adds complex rhythms and an intriguing vibe, overlaying and enlivening the flowing vocal lines.

Half of the songs originally started as instrumental charts for large ensembles and big bands

perhaps explaining the unusually complex harmonies. The title track, 'Sconsolato', is a heart-rending song of love and loss written by bassist Jimmy Woode and recorded in 1968 by Mark Murphy. Juliet's carefully curated repertoire continues with musical gems such as 'Chelsea Bridge' (Billy Strayhorn), 'Journey Within' (Kenny Barron/Clare Foster), 'Midnight Sun' (Lionel Hampton/Johnny Mercer), 'In These Shoes' (Kirsty McColl et al.), 'Slow Hot Wind' (Henry Mancini/Norman Gimbel) and two lesser known but beautiful Hoagy Carmichael tunes 'Lying to Myself' and 'I Walk with Music'. Also given a refreshing revival are Duncan Lamont's bluesy 'Billie Holiday' and the wistful 'Manhattan in the Rain'. An up-tempo, percussive 'Fascinating Rhythm' (Gershwin) completes this delightful collection.

Juliet's inspirations have been Lambert, Hendricks & Ross, Norma Winstone, and Joni Mitchell amongst others, and their influence is clearly heard in the clarity of her articulation, her confident story-telling and her heartfelt delivery of this highly personal debut.



### TRACK LISTING:

Manhattan In The Rain	04:44
Midnight Sun	04:00
In These Shoes	03:16
Sconsolato	05:11
Chelsea Bridge	03:45
Fascinating Rhythm	03:21
Journey Within (Voyage)	03:00
Slow Hot wind	02:43
Lyin' To Myself	02:32
I Walk With Music	02:17
Billie Holliday	06:49

### PERSONNEL:

**Juliet Wood** - voice  
**John Crawford** - piano  
**Andrés Lafone** - double bass  
**Andrés Ticino** - drums/perc

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