

Leaps and Bounds Music Festival is pleased to announce the launch of Helen Ryder's debut single 'Lady Bird' at Yarra Hotel Abbotsford on Thursday 9th July, 8pm. Helen and Spencer P Jones do Nancy and Lee, featuring Helen's tantalising voice with grizzly cowboy Spencer on the Hazlewood/Sinatra classic, 'Lady Bird.'

Perfectly capturing the rough and smooth and the sexy tussle of the timeless late 60s'Las Vegas production, Helen coos and soars while Spencer croons straight from the school of Serge Gainsbourg.

'Lady Bird' is a taste and a teaser from Helen's forthcoming album 'Someday Love'.

Listen and purchase here:

<https://helenryder.bandcamp.com/track/lady-bird-2>

Helen has long been a musician's musician working with the finest Australian artists and finally venturing out of the shadows, stepping into the limelight herself after being invited to support Vika and Linda Bull at Melbourne's prestigious Bennetts Lane. "Opening for Vika and Linda was a lot of fun, especially with Bruce Haymes on piano, whom I'd worked with in the past," she said. "On the strength of those gigs, Bruce and I decided to make an album, re-interpreting some of our favourite songs."

Helen will be backed on the night by Bruce Haymes (keyboards), Shane Reilly (guitar and pedal steel), Bill McDonald (bass) and Pete Luscombe (drums).

Sime Nugent of the outstanding duo Sweet Jean as well as the Acapelicans will be performing as Special Guest.

"Helen Ryder's debut album is way overdue. To me, it sounds like the soundtrack to a romantic movie: Old Hollywood – romantic, wistful and moving. The voice is exquisite and the playing is beautiful."

- Jeff Jenkins The Music / ABC radio

"A beautiful selection of songs interpreted with great feeling and backed by some of Australia's finest musicians."

- Brian Wise Off The Record / RRR radio

LADY BIRD - Helen Ryder (with Spencer P. Jones)

SINGLE LAUNCH

YARRA HOTEL ABBOTSFORD

THURSDAY 9th JULY 8PM

With special guest SIME NUGENT

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