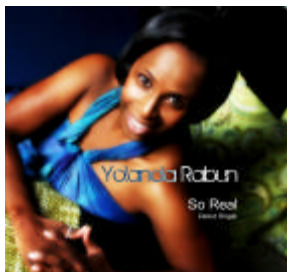


MEET SMOOTH JAZZ VOCALIST, YOLANDA RABUN



So Real – Single Release

With international accolades from her recent tour of Portugal, Spain, Jordan and Turkey with the Stanley Baird Group, smooth jazz vocalist, Yolanda Rabun released *"So Real"*, the first track from her upcoming, anticipated full-length project entitled *"So Real"* which is slated for release in early summer. Yolanda's musical influences include Nancy Wilson, Gladys Knight, Dianne Reeves, and Nina Simone.

The smooth jazz single, *"So Real"*, highlights Yolanda's style, talent and skill. The song is about how genuine and true a person's love is for another. *"So Real"* is soulful, sultry, smooth jazz at its finest. Yolanda's vocals are crisp, powerful, soft – it exudes drama all on its own. The instrumentation, especially the piano, is subtle adding a taste of elegance and Stanley Baird's brilliant saxophone accents takes *"So Real"* into a different realm. In fact, the alto sax expresses its own voice – almost taking on a human identity. The rhythm is romantic and sexy. Real cool, smooth jazz...perfection.

No matter which song Yolanda is singing from the *"So Real"* project, Yolanda takes every lyric and melody she is involved with to heart. Her renditions are superb, full of passion, packed with emotion and sung with a velvety tone from the depths of her soul. Yolanda Rabun's new smooth jazz single, *"So Real"*, is a captivating love song which is classy and very appealing with background harmonies which include Yolanda that are gripping and memorable.

The single, *"So Real"*, is available at most digital storefronts, including the following:

[Yolanda Rabun's So Real on iTunes](#) ; [Yolanda Rabun's So Real on emusic](#) ; [Yolanda Rabun's So Real on Amazon](#); [Yolanda Rabun's So Real on CDBABY](#)

The official "So Real" music video was shot in high definition and available on You Tube for viewing:
www.youtube.com/watch?v=DPEEM71FGL8

Accolades and accomplishments:

- The single *"So Real"* was ranked **#1 Top Song** in CdBaby's *Smooth Jazz* Category
- The single *"So Real"* was ranked **#3 Top Song** on CdBaby's *Soul Jazz* Category
- The single *"So Real"* was ranked **#4 Top Song** in CdBaby's Overall Jazz Category
- Yolanda Rabun performed at the Wahiawa Festival in Wahiawa, Hawaii, Goombay Festival in Asheville, NC, the Bimbe Festival in Durham, NC and other festivals in Japan with the Stanley Baird Group
- With the Stanley Baird Group, Yolanda opened for Grammy and Tony award winner, Jennifer Holiday at the Carolina Theatre.
- Yolanda toured as a featured smooth jazz vocalist throughout Japan, South Korea, Portugal, Spain, Turkey, Jordan, Hawaii, the Marshall Islands and Guam.

Reviews for the *"So Real"* single can be viewed at the following sites:

<http://triangleartsandentertainment.org/2011/02/yolanda-rabun-so-real-debut-single/>
<http://www.jango.com/music/Yolanda+Rabun>

To view Yolanda's performance schedule and for official fan club information, please log onto the following sites:

- www.yolandarabun.com
- www.facebook.com/yodyfulmusic
- www.twitter.com/yolandarabun
- www.myspace.com/yolandarabun
- www.reverbnation.com/yolandarabun

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Facebook: <http://facebook.com/yodyfulmusic>
Other: <http://www.jango.com/music/Yolanda+Rabun?l=0>



Description: Yolanda Rabun is an amazing smooth jazz artist with an impressive range and a lot of voice. Sultry, Soulful, Expressive, Dynamic and Memorable, Yolanda's stylings are mature, fun and engaging with a unique blend of jazz and R&B/Soul sounds.

Yolanda Rabun sings soulfully with power and a natural story-telling instinct. While imitating Gladys Knight at the age of four, **Yolanda Rabun** stunned and transformed everyone who heard her. Without a doubt, **Yolanda Rabun** is destined to touch the hearts of many audiences with her exuberant personality and voice. In 2011, she releases her first solo project, **So Real**.

Yolanda Rabun is a graduate of the acclaimed Northside School of the Arts in Atlanta, Georgia, where she performed with Atlanta's Showbiz Kids touring throughout the United States, Europe and Japan. Yolanda studied under the greats including the late Isaac Hayes for a special rendition of God Bless America which Yolanda sang to the late and former United States President, Ronald Reagan.

Raised by a single mother who stressed education as a priority, Yolanda finished Holy Cross College with an Honors B.A. degree and earned a JD from Boston College Law School where she continued to do stage plays and sing with acapella groups to develop a 3 octave range that crosses genres with power and ease. Yolanda has been a backup vocalist for R&B singer, Howard Hewitt, pop singer and American Idol Season 2 finalist, Clay Aiken and Virginia-based piano man Adrian Duke. Yolanda also has written original jazz compositions for Shakespeare's Twelfth Night and is an award winning actress in North Carolina's Regional Theatres.

The last 4 years, Yolanda has been the lead vocalist of the Stanley Baird Group, a smooth jazz group led by renowned saxophonist, Stanley Baird. She appears on Stanley's Baird's seventh project, Traffic Jam with the smooth jazz single, "I Want 2 Love You" which received international radio-play and ranked in *Solar Radio's year end Top 10 List*.

Yolanda Rabun is the total creative and professional package being a composer, writer, producer, professional actor, speaker and an award-winning corporate attorney. Yolanda's music background is diverse; she sings musical theatre, jazz, R & B, soul, classical, country, spiritual, folk and gospel. Through the innate ability to transform her stories in so many different styles, Yolanda's unique powerful voice will be considered one of the great cross-over jazz artists of our decade and thrill audiences. **Yolanda Rabun's** first single, **So Real**, from the upcoming **So Real project** is her original work and is a glimpse of the phrasing and style she has become known for in the jazz world.

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