

Veronica Swift Quartet with Benny Green

At 23, Veronica Swift is without question among the top young jazz singers in the country.

Swift was no stranger to the big-time well before her 15th birthday. On the stage, she headlined at the Telluride Jazz Festival in 2016, her 10th appearance there, but her first as a headliner. She first appeared at age 10 with Dave Adams' Young Razzcals Jazz Project and the great saxophonist Richie Cole. She later sang a duet with the featured artist, Paquito d'Rivera. And her first appearance at Jazz at Lincoln Center was at 11, when she performed at the "Women in Jazz" series at Dizzy's Club Coca-Cola. In the studio, Swift recorded two CDs as a child, one at age 9 with Richie Cole and her mother and her father's rhythm section, and one at age 13 with saxophonist Harry Allen.

In 2015, she took second place at the prestigious Thelonious Monk Jazz Competition. A year later, she was asked to perform a concert of her own at the Tribeca Performing Arts Center in New York City and she was a guest artist with Michael Feinstein at Jazz at Lincoln Center with the Tedd Firth Big Band and Marilyn Maye and Freda Payne.

Her 2015 Album "Lonely Woman" features some of the hottest young jazz players on the scene, including Emmet Cohen, Benny Bennack III, Daryl, Matt Wigler and Scott Lowrie.

She moved to New York City after completing her undergraduate degree at the University of Miami Frost School of Music, and she almost immediately began performing every Saturday night at the legendary Birdland Jazz Club, a gig she continues to maintain when she is not on the road.

Swift has toured with her parents, renowned jazz pianist Hod O'Brien and celebrated jazz singer and educator-author Stephanie Nakasian.

Swift is also a passionate devotee of '20s and '30s music and has sung with Vince Giordano, Terry Waldo, and Drew Nugent.

For more information, please go to: <https://www.veronicaswift.com/>

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