

Georgina Jackson

'Watch What Happens'

London Evening Standard CD of the Week

'Several UK divas, including Gwyneth Herbert and Clare Teal, have produced Peggy Lee-themed shows and albums lately, but here's a paradox. The star of this classy new trawl through the Great American Songbook, which has no stated Lee link whatever, recalls her style more vividly than any of the others.

Check out Georgina Jackson's gentle delivery of Change Partners, Smile, Lover and other ballads, and you will recognise much of Peggy's velvety warmth and spot-on intonation. Even on up-tempo numbers her phrasing retains its unhurried charm and musicality.

It's no surprise to find that she is also an accomplished trumpeter, currently working in the pit-band of Chicago in the West End. Naturally her own arrangements are excellent, as are Jim Watson's keyboard solos.'

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