

MONICA MANCINI

Biography

Concord Records recording artist and double-Grammy nominee Monica Mancini, daughter of famed film composer Henry Mancini and the notable studio singer Ginny O'Conner Mancini, has carved out an impressive career as a concert performer, appearing with major symphony orchestras worldwide, including the Chicago Symphony, New York Pops, Boston Pops, Dallas Symphony, Seattle Symphony and the London Metropolitan Orchestra.

She began singing early on as a member of the Henry Mancini Chorus, which led to a successful career in the Los Angeles studios, where she appeared on countless film scores and recordings with such notable artists as Placido Domingo, Quincy Jones, and Michael Jackson. Her debut CD, simply titled **Monica Mancini** was the companion to her PBS television special, **Monica Mancini: On Record**.

Her latest release, the Billboard chart-topping and double Grammy ® nominated Concord Records album **Ultimate Mancini** finds Monica and some very special guest artists, including Stevie Wonder, Take 6, Kenny Rankin, Gary Burton, Joey DeFrancesco and Tom Scott, paying tribute to her father.

To celebrate the release of the USPS Henry Mancini Commemorative Postage Stamp, Monica kicked off an extensive 60-city tour, followed by sold-out concerts at Carnegie Hall, Disney Hall, Boston Symphony Hall and Tanglewood with John Williams and the Boston Pops.

The **New York Times** has described Mancini's rich, expressive voice as "the glamorous vocal equivalent to diamonds flashing." On her approach to interpreting a song, she says, "I always keep in mind the composers intention because I believe melodies and lyrics are crafted with a definite purpose. I want to bring out the beauty of the writer's word through music."

In 2009, Monica Mancini will release her fifth album **I've Loved These Days** - A collection of classic sixties songs featuring the original artists including Stevie Wonder, Brian Wilson and Jackson Browne, arranged for full orchestra.

Composer John Williams writes: "Monica Mancini brings her talent, musicality and most of all, love to the music, and proves that the passage of musical genes didn't stop with the Bachs, Strausses or Ellingtons!"

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