

# Jackie Ryan Quotes

"Extraordinary is the word! . . . a world class talent. Jazz singing at its very best."  
— Don Heckman, The Los Angeles Times

"Extravagantly gifted! . . . Astonishing range - both emotionally and stylistically. A true jazz original."  
— Andrew Gilbert, jazz critic, Downbeat, The Boston Globe

"Sweeping vocal powers. . . A real discovery of a singer. . . Jackie Ryan's chemistry of passion is truly sensational."  
— John Fordham, The London Guardian

"The fiery multilingual Ryan is mightily impressive!"  
— Christopher Loudon, JazzTimes

"Singing from the heart. . . Jackie bridges gaps between both geography and generations!"  
— Steven Graybow, Billboard

"Deftly assured! Savvy interpretive jazz vocalizing."  
— Variety

"Superb! The bell-like resonance of her smokey voice coupled with her heartfelt emotion. . . puts Jackie at the top of her game."  
— Jesse Varela, Latin Beat

"I say, 'It's Jackie' - which means 'it's sparklin' and it's swingin'! like good jazz singin'!"  
— Jon Hendricks

"One loves to hear a great singer -- especially one with style, control, pitch and a wonderful sense of rhythm. Jackie Ryan is one of those rare talents -- she has it all, and is destined to become a major star! I just love her sound."  
— Teo Macero  
Producer of Miles Davis's "Bitches Brew" and Dave Brubeck's "Time Out" (Columbia Records)

"Listen to Jackie Ryan's voice and consider this: how important is it to you that vocal jazz come from the heart? Ryan's latest release proves that nothing works better on your soul than the real thing....a charm seldom seen in today's crowded singers' market. She's genuine."  
— Jim Santella, AllAboutJazz.com

...a true jazz singer - and a damn good one, too! I've had the pleasure of concertizing with her so I know. Be sure to give a good listen to this CD, and when you have a chance to catch her in person - do it!"  
— Clark Terry / Renowned trumpet master

"I had the pleasure of working with Jackie Ryan and she really knocked me out every time she sang. If you want to hear somebody with good pipes, good time, good feeling, good sound, good intonation and can swing - listen to Jackie Ryan."

— Terry Gibbs

"One of the best singers to sing at Ronnie's since Shirley Horn."

— John Massarik, The Evening Standard, London, May 2001

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— Jon Hendricks, Legendary vocalese master

Jackie Ryan has a wonderful voice. But on her *Passion Flower*, she also has a wonderful way with her pen. This is evident because she decided to take a song by the great tenor saxophonist, Joe Henderson, called "The Kicker" and write lyrics to it, and did she ever! Ms. Ryan is one of the new emerging singers in the jazz idiom that deserves wider recognition. Besides her unbelievable take on "The Kicker" you can hear Ms. Ryan deliver her stylistic stamp on such classics as "Lullaby of The Leaves", "Some Other Spring" and "Serenade in Blue". Keep an eye on Jackie Ryan because she will continue to emerge and surprise!"

— Nathan Holloway, AllAboutJazz.com 2005