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Kim Divine
Square One


If, when I die and go to that magical place called heaven, the angels don't sing like Kim Divine I'm switching to Hinduism so I can be reborn and have a chance to hear her voice again. When you listen to Ms. Divine's new album *Square One*, I recommend wearing headphones as to allow Ms. Divine the chance to whisper into your ears. I don't mean that in a sexy way but rather in a way that allows you to hear her voice in which I believe it was to be intended, smack dab in the middle of your brain.

On certain songs, like "All Night", it has a way of blowing into your mind like the wind blows into a window on a quiet star filled night. Some voices have the element of color to them but Kim's is as pure as spring water in the Fiji Islands that has bubbled up from the purified volcanic rock. Kim's lyrics give me the idea that she has some volcanic rock of her own that she has worked through to bring her to this *Square One* purity she demonstrates for us. Her lyrics speak of a lifetime of experiences, both good and bad, that she has been able to shape into brilliant songs that are as pleasing to the ears as warm gloves to cold hands.

Listening to this CD gives one pause as the thought of this talent not being shared with the world is a clear sign the cream of the crop has somehow been held down below the surface. "It'll be Alright" is an amazing song that gives Kim a chance to sing like a bird in front of Bob Marley's house. Her voice sounds like it should be greeting you in a tunnel of light giving the indication that you have just died. Thankfully you don't have to be dead to hear something so beautiful. "Without You" is a powerful song from a daughter to a father who has left. The emotion in this song is heavy but her voice lifts it up as a pillar of strength to rise above what was done. It really should be a standard to every new father as a reminder of what happens when you turn you back on your children.

Thankfully the album doesn't wallow at all in sadness but always seems to have the cheerful attitude of a fresh beginning. It basks in the light of simplicity that falls through your bedroom window on an easy Sunday morning. "Little Things" is a perfect example of this idea. The song drifts in like a dream that you never want to end. It has a way of bringing your life back into focus in only 2 minutes 51 seconds. Try asking your expensive therapist to do that!

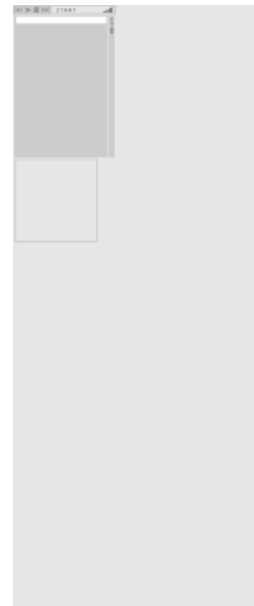
All is well with Kim Divine's *Square One* as it delivers beautiful music full of heart and soul with lyrics provided by an angel. Find this album and allow it to make a few minutes of your life vastly improved.


Key Tracks- Little Things, All Night, Cheers

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