

Amanda Maffei's 'Both Sides Now' celebrates the 'up and down', 'give and take', 'win and lose' of life.

"I'm very excited about this, my second debut album," says Maffei, "Second debut album because I self produced my first."

'Both Sides Now', professionally produced by [Crit Harmon](#), rides high on the work of Harmon, director [Brad Hatfield](#), master engineer [Jon Lupfer](#) and coach/consultant, [Vance Gilbert](#). "It both meets and exceeds everything I

imagined. And to think I planned on self producing this one too."

Hatfield hired drummer [Jim Gwin](#) and bassist [Marty Ballou](#) for the rhythm section. "They knocked out eleven tunes in two day-long sessions, staying 'in the pocket' the whole time," explains Maffei, "The second evening [Stan Strickland](#) crossed [Q Division's](#) threshold with his panoply of woodwinds and sent the recording soaring. Each musician on this album walks with a wide world of music in their souls."

In Crit's studio, [Fabio Pirozzolo](#), Vance Gilbert, [Barbara Kessler](#) and [Duke Levine](#) brought their considerable talents to the mix. Earlier, [Consuelo Candelaria-Barry](#), [Ron Mahdi](#), [Steve Langone](#) and [Phillippe Crettien](#) graced Q's rooms recording two stunning tunes that cap the album.

"With all this musical genius at work you can imagine my excitement."

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She sings like a bird, writes songs well enough to have them chosen for national commemorative events, plays piano and guitar well enough to tour if she wanted to, arranges, writes full theatre and shows, and does vocal voiceover work. Most of us are lucky to be even half-farile at one of those things.” – Vance Gilbert

BIO: Amanda Maffei, through her years, has worn many musical hats including singer/songwriter, kids and family entertainer, lead singer for Top 40 & rock bands, Tanglewood Festival Chorus, recording studio gopher, recording artist, teacher, music director, arranger, producer, conductor, accompanist, musical theater writer and singing waitress.

She has performed at Ixtapa, Mexico’s Club Med, the United Nations, naval bases, bars, clubs, theaters and coffeehouses throughout New England. Maffei has opened for, or shared the stage with the likes of Tracy Chapman, Pete Seeger, Bill Staines, Bob Franke, Sally Rogers, Jake Armerding, Moe Dixon, Guy Carawan, the James Montgomery Band, Cris Williamson and more.

Though Maffei has flown largely under the radar, she has won prestigious awards, including Gold Medal from the Mid-Atlantic Song Contest and received the Margret & H.A. Rey Center’s Artist-in-Residency Award. Maffei’s music has appeared on Saturday morning kids shows, the local TV & radio stations, ‘The Year of the Child’ celebration at the United Nations, as well as the start of the 2014 Boston Marathon.

The Boston Pops

‘Run Boston Strong’

broadcast from

Convention Center.

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Maffei’s

while in prep

her album, advised

Crit Harmon, producer for artists

Susan Werner, and Lori McKenna, a 2018

Winner, among others. Upon hearing

Harmon agreed to produce Maffei’s

‘Both Sides Now’. The outcome of the

is notable.

Performing, Maffei has been

Joni Mitchell, Carly Simon, Joan

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Come tune into music

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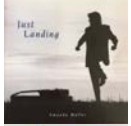
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