

# CLAIRDEE jazz vocalist • educator

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“A whole lot of interpretive brilliance” is how *JazzTimes* describes Clairdee’s soulful style and rich timbre. Her masterly interpretation of lyrics is a gift aptly described by the inimitable Nancy Wilson who said, “In the tradition of all great vocalists, Clairdee infuses each song with her own unique style while always remaining true to the song itself.”

Clairdee sings on stages around the globe, leading her world-class band, or performing with orchestras, big bands, and some of America’s most notable jazz instrumentalists. Her latest album, “A Love Letter to Lena,” garnered international press and acknowledged in three categories in the 2020 Grammy® first round nominations.

2018 recipient of the Bay Area Jazz & Blues Artist Lifetime Achievement Award, Clairdee is passionate about music education and mentorship: Professor of Jazz Voice, San Francisco Conservatory of Music; Teaching Artist, SFJAZZ and San Francisco Symphony; Artist Advisory Member, Jazz in the Neighborhood.

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