



# ***Doug Balfour***

***Pianist/Accompanist/  
Composer/Arranger***

*with*

***Guest Vocalist  
Suzi Wesson***



**DOUG BALFOUR** is a versatile and accomplished musician. He has been active in the worlds of jazz, rock, and musical theatre for more than forty years.

Equally adept at classical, stride, boogie-woogie and musical theatre, Doug has worked as an accompanist to many singers and instrumentalists, including Karen Plato, Nancy Ruth, Charlotte Moore, and current musical partner Suzi Wesson.

He composed the music for the Vancouver Arts Club's production of Lynn Nottage's play ***Intimate Apparel***. As a Music Director, Doug has led such productions as ***Forever Plaid***, ***Pump Boys and Dinettes***, and ***Don Messer's Jubilee***, and he has played in the orchestra pit of numerous shows, including ***Sunset Boulevard***, ***Wicked***, and ***Joseph and his Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat***.

Doug was a member of the 1999 Jesse Award winning Big Band for the Arts Club production of ***Forever Swing***.

As a solo pianist, Doug performs frequently for audiences of all ages, with a mixture of classical, early jazz, and popular songs.

He also keeps his rock 'n roll chops up performing with Toronto's legendary ***Robbie Lane and the Disciples***.

Doug is joined for today's concert by guest vocalist **SUZI WESSON**. Suzi is a versatile actor/singer who toured extensively with ***Les Misérables***, was featured as a solo artist at ***Jaymz Bee's Jazz FM's One-Stop Vocal Jazz Safari***, trotted out her big band chops to sing with ***The Uptown Swing Band***, and fronts ***The Dark Angel Blues Band***.