

For Immediate Release

October 28, 2005

Wilf's Restaurant & Bar
800 NW 6th & Irving
8pm until Midnight

Publicity photo can be downloaded from her website, www.mitzizilka.com.

Friday, October 28th Mitzi Zilka, jazz singer and founder of the Portland Jazz Singers Concert Series launches her second CD *SOMETHING GOOD*, after nearly three years since her debut. Randy Porter produced and arranged all ten tracks on her CD and his treatment of the tunes are both unique and fresh. To perform the music, Mitzi has brought together a bevy of Portland's best (in the absence of Randy Porter); Mark Simon will chair the Piano, Ed Bennett will be on Bass and Larry Bard on Drums. Saxophonist Rob Davis and Trumpeter and Flugelhornist Dick Titterington, who are both on the CD, will be joining the celebration as well as a **special guest Dan Balmer**.

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Kyle O'Biren
Jazz Society of Oregon

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Wilf's Restaurant & Bar is located at 800 NW 6th & Irving,
next to the train station.
For reservations call 503-223-0070

Something Good, really captures the emotional depth of Mitzi Zilka's very personal life experience with swing tunes that groove, tender fragile ballads and elegant blues. The contrast between her wide soprano range and her deep, rich alto voice is distinctively refreshing. Mitzi has teamed up with celebrated pianist Randy Porter to deliver a refined take on classic tunes and some not-so-classic gems. Her laid back phrasing and strong melodic sense complement her poignant clear voice. She also has a great sense of lyrics, penning original lyrics to classic tunes, like her smart-dual language take on the standard *Blue Bossa*.

Something Good, Mitzi's second release, includes new takes on *It Don't Mean A Thing If It Ain't Got that Swing*, in 7/4. *Tain't Nobody's Bizness If I Do*, done as a kind of front-porch country blues combining a squashed trumpet performance by Richard Titterington and the funky bass stylings of John Waitala. The Standard *Lady Bird*, is done in a French Café bolero style with Randy Porter on

the Melodica. *Short People*, combines electric bass and a Hammond B3 organ sound. Title Track *Something Good*, from the Sound of Music, is done as an elegant blues and the first ever U.S. release of the stunning ballad, *Introduce Me To Your Friend*, by Australian songwriter Norma Martin.

Sound clips can be heard on her web site.

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