

## Tanya Reed Biography

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Tanya Reed's richly cultivated voice captivates the souls of her listeners. Through the universal language of music, Tanya has found her redemption, and a means of contributing to the positive evolution of our culture.

Tanya's love for music ignited as a young child under the guidance of jazz organist Melvin Rhyne. At the age of 11, she, along with her two sisters, founded a vocal jazz trio, "The Reed Sisters." In 1993, the sisters' musical career took flight when they developed a musical bond with jazz legend Dr. Betty Carter. Betty Carter discovered the budding artists singing in a hotel lobby lounge in their hometown, Milwaukee, WI. Instantly, Tanya and her sisters were invited to participate in Dr. Betty Carter's annual program, "Jazz Ahead." Year after year, under the mentorship of Dr. Carter, "The Reed Sisters" wooed sold-out audiences in New York's Majestic Theater and Washington D.C.'s Kennedy Center. In July 1998, Tanya and her sisters were featured with Dr. Carter in Italy's world renowned, "Festival of Two Worlds."

Tanya has been the focus of diverse press coverage, including articles in Jazz Times, Downbeat, New York Times Magazine, and Midwest Jazz magazine (cover story). She has also been featured on "CBS Sunday Morning," and "BET on Jazz" television programs.

Tanya began her professional career singing jazz standards, however, this charismatic vocalist continues to innovate the music with original compositions. Fusing soul, and rhythm and blues with her jazz roots, this vocalist embarks upon a distinctive new sound of music.

As a solo artist, Tanya Reed consistently captures audiences with her unique voice and charm. This bright, vibrant singer continues to explore higher heights of creativity.