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## Tina May

Tina May is a truly international singer, recording artist, actress and vocal teacher - with a strong Cardiff connection. As a student at University College Cardiff in the early eighties, she studied classical singing with Eileen Price and performed regularly with local musicians like Dylan Fowler and Paula Gardiner at jazz festivals and in musical theatre productions at the Sherman Theatre, amongst others up and down the country.

Tina's approach to singing is 'wholistic' with the emphasis on 'unlocking' and 'liberating' the vocal sound to enable the singer's expression. Technical prowess leads to artistic freedom of interpretation. This is particularly important in singing. Songs are stories, after all...

Tina continues to make recordings and give concert performances. She has had many awards in her career as an artiste so far but her commitment to teaching and helping young vocalists and musicians was rewarded by the International Association of Jazz Education with the Award for Services to Jazz Education in 2003, presented to her in Long Beach, California.