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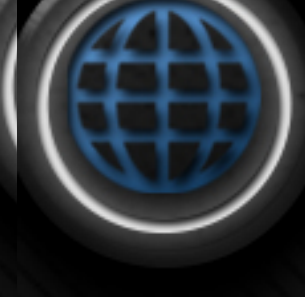
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SOME THINGS ABOUT MARY...

Introducing the extraordinary musical talent from the heart of South Jersey, Mary Cross. A journey that began in the church, Mary Cross discovered her calling at the age of 12, her voice echoing through gospel melodies that would set the stage for her future in the world of music.

But the trajectory of Mary's musical destiny took an unexpected turn during a childhood kickball game with friends. The chosen song for this impromptu performance was "Love Will Keep Us Together" by Captain and Tennille. To her surprise, her friends didn't just recognize her ability to replicate the sound; they acknowledged a unique voice that resonated authentically, marking a pivotal moment in her musical journey.

Mary Cross, as she is known, found solace and inspiration in music from an early age. Born in Camden, NJ, the rhythms of her upbringing permeated her soul, creating a foundation for the artist she would become. Music became more than a hobby—it was a lifeline that accompanied her through the highs and lows of life.

During challenging moments, music provided solace, joy, hope, and peace—becoming a universal language capable of transforming moods and touching hearts. Recognizing the profound impact of music early on, Mary Cross was inspired to share this joy with others, leading to the birth of her band, 2NspireU. The name itself reflects the mission—to inspire through music, to uplift through melody.

At an early age, Singer/Songwriter, Mary Cross was bonded with the voice of Phyllis Hyman on Soul Train which influenced her love classic soul and fashion began. Complimented by her powerful vocals, poignant lyrics, and a genre-defying blend of R&B, Jazz, and soul, Cross' distinctive sound is a testament to her commitment to infuse her music with personal experiences whilst inviting listeners into a world where authenticity reigns supreme.

Mary Cross doesn't confine herself to a particular stage; she graces a variety of them. From the intimate ambiance of piano bars to the sophisticated setting of jazz venues, the grandeur of convention centers, the comfort of hotels, and the warmth of private, public, and community events. She brings her soulful melodies to diverse audiences.

But her impact isn't limited to the stage; Mary Cross is a proud contributor to various city events, leaving an indelible mark on the community she calls home. Her commitment to spreading musical joy extends beyond live performances to all major music media platforms, and on her website, www.marycrossmusic.com. Here, fans can connect with her latest releases, tour dates, and the essence of her artistic journey.

Influenced by a rich tapestry of musical legends, Mary Cross' style and brand draw inspiration from the elegance of Nancy Wilson, the emotive power of Phyllis Hyman, the soulful storytelling of Nina Simone, and the timeless grace of Oleta Adams. Her musical journey is guided by contemporary luminaries, including Gregory Porter, Sarah Vaughan, Gladys Knight, CeCe Winans, Randy Crawford, and Lizz Wright, shaping Cross' distinctive approach to her craft.

As Mary Cross continues to evolve in her musical odyssey, her name echoes beyond the borders of Camden, NJ. With a style that seamlessly blends the classic and the contemporary, she invites audiences to join her on a heartfelt and uplifting exploration of sound. In a world where music is both a refuge and a celebration, Mary Cross stands as a beacon, sharing the transformative power of melody—one note at a time. Her journey is a testament to the enduring magic of music, a magic she generously shares with the world.



Mary Cross

Mary Cross, a musical luminary from South Jersey, embraces a love for timeless classics that transcends genres. Her musical journey, sparked in the church at age 12, took an unexpected turn during a childhood kickball game, revealing a unique voice that resonated authentically.

Beyond mimicking, Mary's approach to singing is an exploration of what moves her, what she loves, and what brings color and hope to her life. Purposeful storytelling of lyrics, conveying the writer's intended meaning, is at the core of her artistry. Her lyrics hold immense importance when she selects repertoire, shaping a musical narrative that is both meaningful and authentic.

Mary's current album, where she serves as a producer, arranger, and in various capacities, reflects her dedication to excellence. Recognizing the significance of each song released into the universe, she strives for a final product that she can be proud of, one that leaves no room for regrets.

Her ultimate goal is not fame or fortune but to be heard and give a voice to others. This commitment to excellence extends to her creative expression in the presence of music lovers who appreciate the depth of her gifts—songs, arrangements, and more.

Mary stands as a trendsetter and groundbreaker, navigating the challenges faced by independent artists and women in the industry. She advocates for equal pay and supportive spaces for creatives to grow, nurture, and encourage one another. Her journey serves as a reminder of the value creatives bring to the world, emphasizing the need to exercise worth and courage, even if it means walking away when not to the benefit of the team.

In a world where unfairness surrounds intellectual property, Mary Cross leaves everything on the stage, grateful for opportunities and those who believe in her. Her music transcends boundaries, echoing beyond Camden, NJ, inviting audiences to join her on a heartfelt exploration of sound—a journey marked by purpose, excellence, and a passion for uplifting others.

MARY'S STUNNING VELVETY VOCALS CAN BE HEARD SINGING MANY GENRES OF Music

She listens with deep intention to her heroes: Phyllis Hyman, Phoebe Snow, Gregory Porter, Nina Simone, Ella Fitzgerald, Nancy Wilson, Oleta Adams, Gladys Knight, The Carpenters, Betty Wright, Staple Singers, Sarah Vaughn, Linda Ronstadt, and so many others.

Whether in concert or when recording, the mission statement and goal is always 2NspireU.

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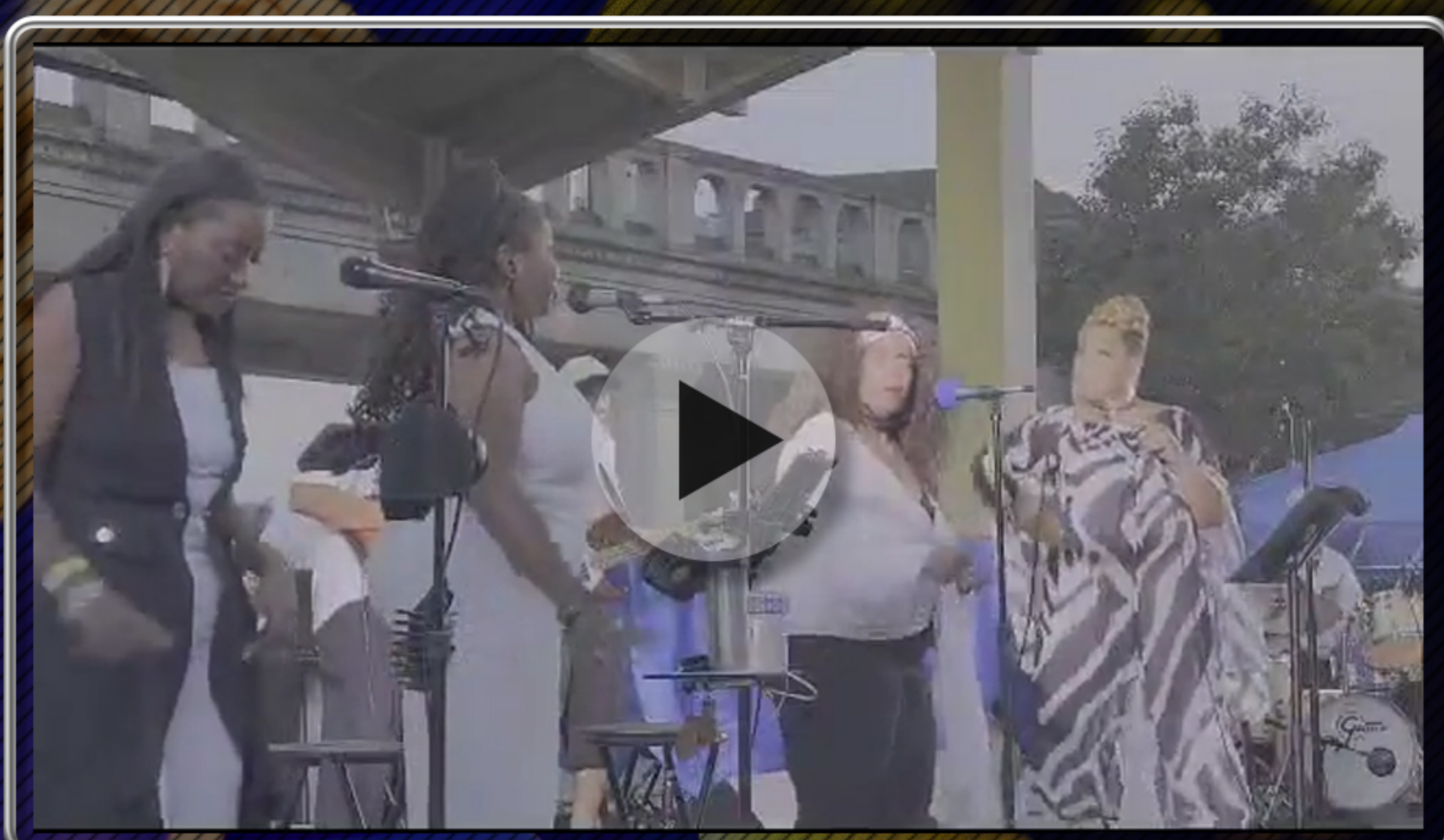
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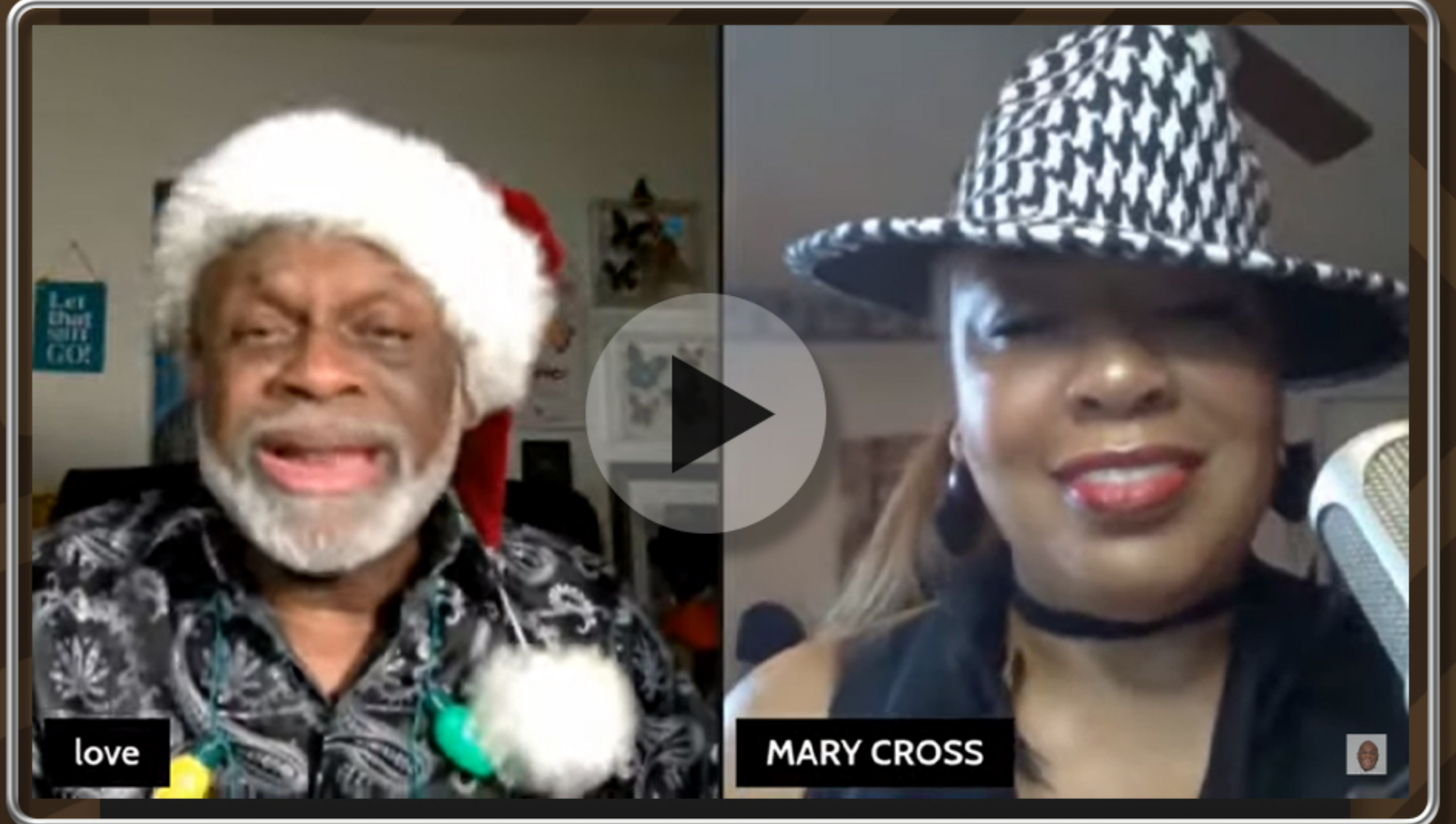
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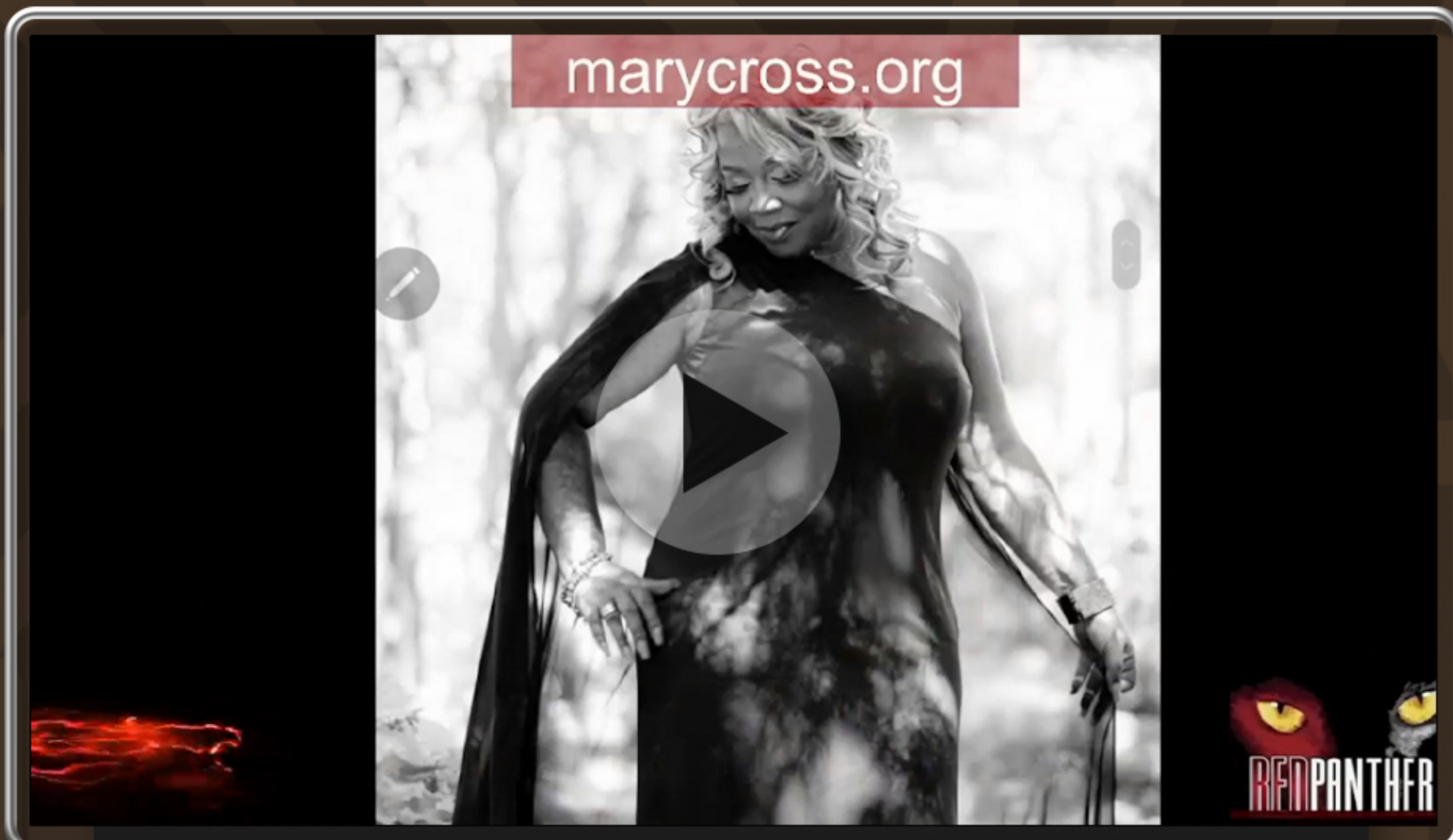
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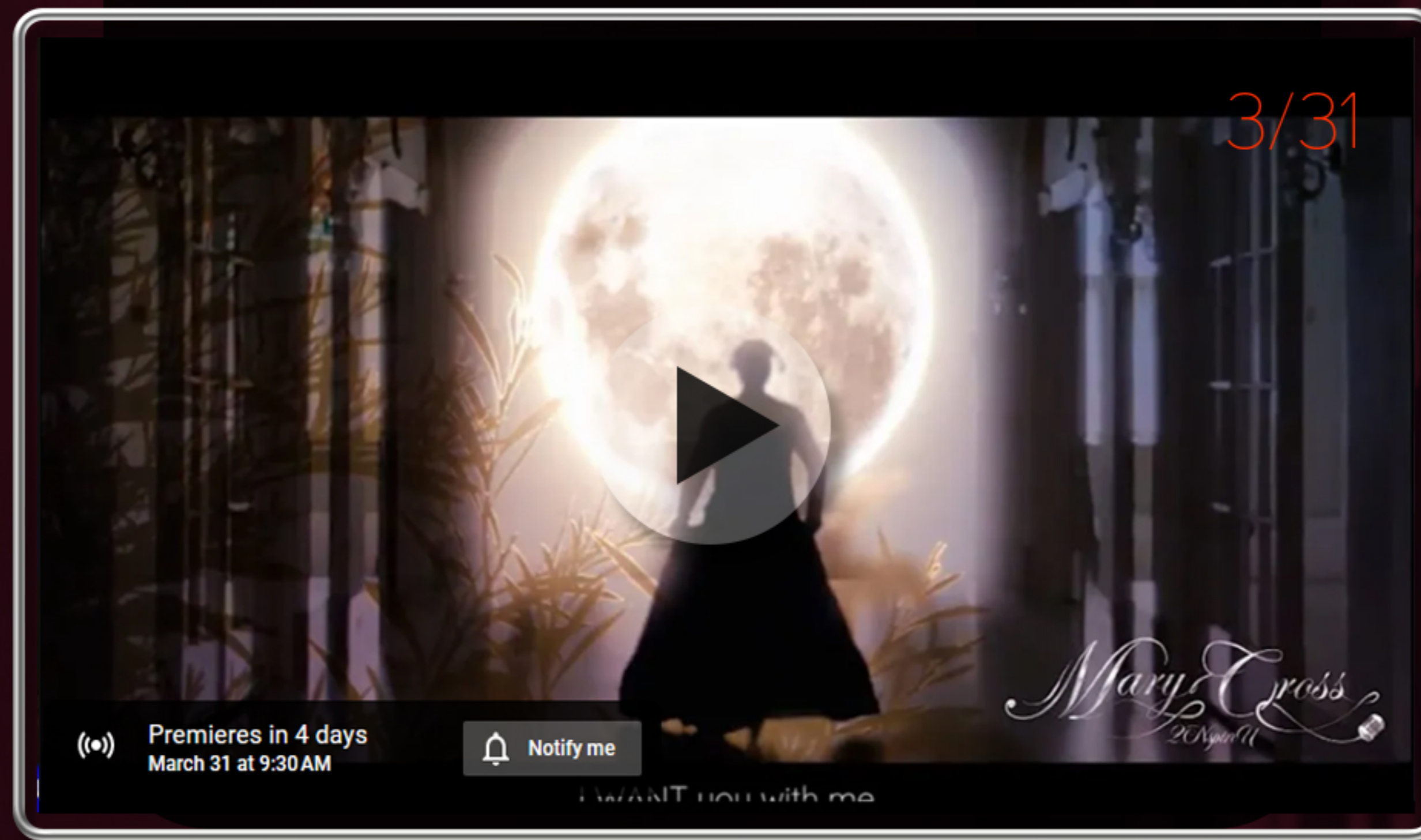
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Quotes

"...I hear in her quality vocals such clarity that reminds me of Phyllis, Sarah, Nina, Etta and the songbird Minnie, those whom I believe from the heavens give her musical interpretations a decisive endorsement of approval. Yes, Ms. Cross is a real talent, and I am blessed to have the pleasure to enjoy hearing her on this side of glory."

-ORLANDO CHANDLER, SOUTHERN NJ

"Mary Cross, a music artist from Camden that makes inspiring music that transcends genres and generations."

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"People will forget what you say, people will forget what you do, but they'll never forget how you made them feel."

-DR. MAYA ANGELOU

"May every space you occupy be enriched... simply because you passed through."

- MARY CROSS



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