

# Miyazaki Cabaret Update: DC & Beyond

A view of the cabaret world from the nation's capital



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Francesca Amari is one of those fabulous performers and fabulous people about whom I can claim absolutely no objectivity. (She's a cohort I was fortunate to meet during my time at Perry-Mansfield as well as a friend-of-this-blog — you can read her Divas 5+1 interview by clicking the section at the right. )

[Her debut solo CD](#) features a stunningly wonderful version of the Brian Lasser song, Better Days. And the moods on the CD run from contemplative, to sassy, to heartbreaking, to exhilarating, all overlaid with

her abundant personal charm.

- 1 [Good Morning, Heartache](#)
- 2 [15 Pounds Away From My Love](#)
- 3 [Murder, He Says](#)
- 4 [Stars and the Moon](#)
- 5 [Make Your Own Party](#)
- 6 [What I Did for Love](#)
- 7 [I Want Them...Bald](#)
- 8 [Wonderful, Wonderful](#)
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## One Response to “Francesca Amari’s Debut CD”

1. Jill Leger Says: [December 10, 2008 at 4:55 pm](#)

*This is my new favorite CD. Francesca has such an original approach to her music, and every last cut on this disk is a gem. Her voice is spirited, fun, and “sounds” like everything I have loved about cabaret music since I was a kid. Her “who-hoo!” at the end of “Murder, He Says” is a smart and witty touch; her version of “Wonderful, Wonderful” is just lovely (and a very unique take on that song), “Stars & the Moon” is heartbreaking and vibrant, and “Make Your Own Party is my new fave tune (“who needs a donkey? Pin your own tail!”). She also lends a superb comic touch to “15 Pounds Away From My Love,” “Murder,” and “I Want Them...Bald.”*

*I can't get enough of it! Thanks to Francesca for brightening many snowy jogs in High Park. And take it from me: THIS IS A SUPER CD!*