

# Pat Wynne's New CD: Singing is Believing



Pat Wynne's songs on this album celebrate work, women's hands, solidarity, creativity, love, and the first blooms of spring. They draw on the broad, deep currents of North American music, from gospel to George Gershwin, from salsa to Nina Simone.

Pat Wynne is a performer and composer born in New York City and based in San Francisco. She is the founder and director of the Bay Area Labor Heritage/Rockin' Solidarity Chorus. These are her favorites among the many songs she has written, as well as one new take on an old labor standard. It's soulful, melodic music, and you can dance to it!

The album is available at Amoeba Records in San Francisco and Berkeley, at Modern Times Bookstore, and online at CD Baby.

To order by mail, send a check for \$18 (incl. p&p) made out to Pat Wynne at PO Box 401072, San Francisco CA 94140-401072. Contact Pat at [wynnegilbert@igc.org](mailto:wynnegilbert@igc.org).

## The songs:

**Singing Is Believing:** A gospel workout devoted to my personal religion.

**Silences:** A tribute to the talented women who struggle to survive as artists in these unforgiving times (& to Tillie Olsen and her groundbreaking book *Silences*)

**Pawn Broker's Window:** Pawnshops are crammed with musical instruments, once someone's companion and lifeline.

**A Woman's Hands:** Inspired by the Beijing women's conference, a tribute to female strength

**Space Walk (No Borders):** An overhead view of a troubled planet, based on the experiences of astronaut Randy Schweikert.

**One Thing I Know:** A love song

**When Rat's Dream:** Scientists have demonstrated, to their own satisfaction, that lab rats do dream, and that their dreams are about the mazes they negotiate by day.

**Fruit Trees Are in Bloom:** A meditation on hope in a hard season.

**Charlie's Song:** Over a buoyant groove, a story of the local impact of a global phenomenon, outsourcing.

**I Never Felt Better:** As the lyrics say, "It's a blessing to live, to turn the next page." A celebration of women getting older.

**Boiling Frog:** An environmental metaphor, with Caribbean accents.

**Joe Hill:** A new take on an old classic.

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