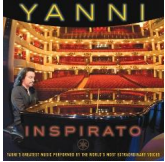


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1. Renée Fleming - *I Genitori (To Take To Hold)* 2. Vittorio Grigòlo - *Come Un Sospiro (Almost A Whisper)* 3. Plácido Domingo - *Ode Alla Grecia (End Of August)* 4. Katherine Jenkins - *L'Ombra Dell'Angelo (Nice To Meet You)* 5. Nathan Pacheco - *Amare Di Nuovo (Adagio in C Minor)* 6. Plácido Domingo & Renée Fleming - *Hasta El Último Momento (Until The Last Moment)* 7. Plácido Domingo, Nathan Pacheco, Plácido Domingo Jr., Micaëla Oeste, Chloe Lowery – *Riconoscimento (Tribute)* 8. Russell Watson – *Incanto (Enchantment)* 9. Plácido Domingo Jr. - *Il Primo Tocco (First Touch)* 10. Lauren Jelencovich – *Usignolo (Nightingale)* 11. Rolando Villazón - *La Prima Luce (In The Morning Light)* 12. Pretty Yende - *Ode À L'Humanité (Ode To Humanity)* 13. Katherine Jenkins & Nathan Pacheco - *Nello Specchio (In The Mirror)*

Each song has a deeply personal story behind it. 'Ode alla Grecia' (which was formerly the instrumental 'End of August') was composed when YANNI was at home in Greece, watching all the tourists departing at the end of summer. As he stared at the ocean, he reflected on his love for his homeland, and felt how bittersweet it was to leave to return to his career in the USA. When Domingo and his son heard this track, they knew immediately what story the lyrics would have to tell.

Another fascinating tale lies behind the wordless song 'Ode À L'Humanité', based on YANNI's version of the 'Flower Duet' from Delibes' opera 'Lakmé'. When the South African youngster Pretty Yende heard this on a television advertisement for British Airways, it sparked her love of the sound of the operatic voice, so much so, that it fired her with a desire to become an opera singer herself. Having overcome enormous hurdles, she is now one of the brightest new stars in the opera world, and has appeared in major roles at La Scala and the Metropolitan Opera - and all thanks to inspiration from YANNI. Each of the songs has a similar story. Pretty's recording of this song that inspired her career path will touch your heart. --- yanni.com

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Yanni, the globally popular composer, is back and he's brought with him some of the world's greats of opera. The Greek-born musician returns with an album of his best known works, sung with newly-created lyrics by such renowned opera stars such as Plácido Domingo, Renée Fleming, Rolando Villazón and Katherine Jenkins. The project took four years to complete and "30 years to write the music that inspired it." To complete the album, Yanni collaborated with Domingo and Ric Wake to pair the composer's music with the perfect voice for each song.

"This album is about all the loves in my life. Never losing faith in humanity and our incredible ability to overcome just about anything we are challenged with," Yanni tells Billboard.com. "It is also about imagination, creativity, love, kindness, compassion, integrity, parents, country, peace, unity, belief and faith in our future... it is all possible." --- billboard.com

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