Lucy Woodward - Hooked! (2010)

01. He Got Away
02. Sans Souci
03. Purple Heart
04. I Wan'na Be Like You (The Monkey Song)
05. Another Woman play
06. Babies
07. Slow Recovery
08. Ragdoll
09. This Empty Room
10. Too Much To Live For
11. Leave It To You
12. Stardust play

Lucy Woodward's 2010 album Hooked!, a jazz-inflected collection of classic pop and torch song ballads, makes the most of Woodward's soulful voice. Having long moved past the mainstream pop/rock of her 2003 debut, While You Can, Hooked picks up where her 2008 sophomore effort, ...Is Hot and Bothered, left off, with Woodward delivering a kind of pop/rock-meets-jazz sound that falls somewhere between the retro R&B and singer/songwriter pop of such similarly inclined artists as Duffy and Jamie Cullum. In that sense, songs such as the cheeky "Another Woman" and the yearning "Slow Recovery" will certainly draw some favorable comparisons to such icons as Dusty Springfield. Certainly, these songs are produced with an ear to re-creating the big ensemble pop of the '50s and '60s, and fans of that old-school Brill Building sound should find Hooked! to be an appealing catch. ---Matt Collar, AllMusic Review

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