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WILLOUGH'S NEW CD IS TRULY "SCRUMPTIOUS"

Karen Willough has been noticeably absent from Chicago's cabaret scene the last few months working on her new CD/EP "Scrumptious" which will be released the May 25, 2018. With fresh jazz arrangements by the renowned Bobby Schiff, Willough's take is delightfully luscious.

Willough has spent the last few years on Chicago's cabaret scene, under the tutelage of the acclaimed Beckie Menzie, performing in venues such as Pertterino's, The Polo Inn, and Davenport's.

"Scrumptious" includes a swing version of "Whispering," most famously recorded by Paul Whiteman in 1920, as well as a sultry rendition of the 1975 Orleans song "Dance with Me." The title track, "Truly Scrumptious" comes from the enchanting film "Chitty Chitty Bang Bang" and Willough adds an inviting, new dimension to it. The song also features a flugelhorn solo by Caleb Mitchell, graduate of the prestigious music program at DePaul University and trumpeter for the group "The Right Now."

Willough has already started performing songs from "Scrumptious" in Chicagoland venues. The CD/EP will be available for sale via CD Baby and download online via iTunes. Check her website www.bendingwillough.com for links updates.

The classically trained Willough sings regularly with Chicago's prestigious *Mount Carmel Morning Choir* under the direction of Paul French. Prior to that Ms. Willough sang with *Capella Sint Jan* in Europe for several years. Originally from New York, Willough was a member of the Songwriter's Guild of America, where she met the song's Billbord charting producer michéal Castaldo. "Scrumptious" was produced by Castaldo at studios in New York, Chicago, and New Orleans.

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