

## KARRIN ALLYSON: IMAGINA

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One of the day's best jazz singers — who blends a melodic tone with a husky "catch" in her voice — puts the spotlight here on the marvelous music of Brazil. The program blends both the familiar ("Desafinado," "Double Rainbow") and the less familiar. The singer performs in a delightful polyglot fashion, singing partly in a clearly articulated Portuguese and also in English. Her best language, though, is jazz, with which she's an expert. The great jazz singers make their voices one of the instruments in the band, improvising and scatting along with the rhythm section and other instrumentalists. The result here is lyrically romantic, with just enough sass to invigorate the listener.

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