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Lead singer Danni Gee's energy and tenacity have catapulted her from the youth choir of the African Methodist Episcopalian Church in West Philadelphia to holding her own with veteran R&B performers to fronting her own New York based band, Suga Bush. This multi-talented artist, who was a principal dancer with the Alvin Ailey American Dance Theater, is in constant demand providing guest vocals for several acts including Def Jam poets Jessica Care Moore and Sharrif Simmons; musician Sharief Ali, who is currently touring with John Legend; the neo-soul indie favorite, Mother's Favorite Child; the "surviving" diva herself, Gloria Gaynor; and the legendary icon, CHER!

After cutting her teeth with these various artists, Danni decided to step out on her own. She needed to bring life to her own eclectic vision and in the summer of 1999, Suga Bush was born. Using her original words and music, this group of extremely talented musicians has created an electric fusion of sounds and influences, delivering their own special brand of urban rock.

Their early live recordings and singles from their debut EP, The BitterSuite, have already gained airplay in North and South America and Europe and within months of their debut, Suga Bush received mention in Billboard Magazine as the featured new band in their Internet division and was featured in the launch of Billboard's offshoot website, Promosquad, alongside fellow Philadelphian Jill Scott and The Pharycyde. Their presence on the web is steadily growing, with sites around the world adding their tracks to their playlists. They also have pages on popular download sites such as I-Tunes, Rhapsody and MSN Music.

A fixture on the New York indie scene, Suga Bush has performed at several high profile music events including MeanyFest, a weeklong series of showcases featuring emerging NYC artists and musicians, promoted by SonicBids; the Brooklyn Lyceum Presents; and were the headlining act at the 2003 NYC Village Soul Festival. They have also been featured in Sesac's 'Writer's on the Storm' series held at New York's The Cutting Room and Danni has become a regular performer at the popular New York Singer/Songwriter Sessions at the world famous Bitter End..

Suga Bush celebrated the release of their first full length cd, 'A Love Odyssey' in the fall of 2004. It is a sonic journey through the ups and downs of love written almost entirely by Danni. You can also hear Danni singing 'The Wind Cries Mary' on the Electronica Files: The Jimi Hendrix Dossier (Exile Records/USA), which is currently in major stores and online outfitters. In support of their album, and to build their ever growing fan-base, they continue to perform at popular New York venues such as Crash Mansion, Arlene Grocery, the Brooklyn Lyceum, The Bitter End and SOB'S and at venues around the country.

Danni and Suga Bush's exposure continued to expand in exciting ways. They were nominated for a best artist and cd award by the readers of the e-zine Kweevak.com in 2007, and in 2008, their single 'Aint It Funny', appeared in the soundtrack of the independent film 'Leaving L.A' Later that same year, Suga Bush was also one of 60 bands chosen from over 10,000 submissions from around the world to have their single 'SomeBody' pre-loaded into a brand new MP3 Player being distributed in the UK, along with listening stations, by the electronics retailer Dixons in association with the website PulseRated. Danni also tours as a back-up singer/dancer for Gloria Gaynor whom she met and worked with in the summer of 2006 while touring with KC and the Sunshine Band's Boogie Blast Show and in 2009 appeared with CHER as a featured backing vocalist at Caesar's Colosseum in Las Vegas. In September of 2010, Suga Bush became the newest band to join the New York City-based indie label Earthdriver and just celebrated the release of their single, the guitar and vocal driven rock-anthem 'Monster'.

After experiencing just one session with Danni Gee, whether she's performing a solo acoustic set, supporting a pop icon, or setting the stage on fire with Suga Bush, you too will be searching for ways to describe this untapped talent. Just keep in mind that however you describe her or her music, you will only be scratching at the surface.

## **Essential Links**

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