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JENNIFER ZAMUDIO : BIOGRAPHY (2017)

Jennifer Zamudio was born in Gansbaai, **South Africa**, and was raised in the small West Coast town, Laaiplek / Velddrif. Although her mother tongue is Afrikaans, Jennifer got her unique surname from her father's side of the family, which originates from Spain – it is phonetically pronounced as **“Za-moe-die-hou”**. She matriculated in 1989 at the Swartland High School in Malmesbury. This popular singer is a resident of the Jacaranda city, Pretoria, (Gauteng) for the past **27 years**. She has been singing professionally for the past **17 years**. She started her career in the music industry at Music Production House, Protrax. Jennifer received formal vocal training with one of SA's most iconic Afrikaans artists, Anneli van Rooyen, who has identified and polished her talent and molded Jennifer's voice into a soothing deep and unique sound.

Jennifer entertains crowds throughout South Africa with her energetic and remarkable stage performance and friendly personality in the adult contemporary / pop / country genre. The “Vrouekeur” magazine has labeled her as the “Woman with the designer voice”. During the Klein Karoo National Arts Festival 2000, it was her unique voice and stage performance that has drawn the attention of one of the most sought after Publicists and Music Promoters in the music industry, **Lydia Winchester**. This has also led to Jennifer's first Recording Contract.

Jennifer's “designer voice” will transform you into another dimension and will leave you breathless at the end of each performance. A person can identify easily with her music, to such an extent that you want to take it home with you. Jennifer has the ability to sing any crowd to their feet and her music targets people of all ages. Her music is lively, energetic and exciting and her ability to perform ballads to perfection will leave you entertained for days on end. Jennifer enjoys taking her music to the people and she believes in performing songs that they want to hear. Jennifer writes some of her own songs and she enjoys playing the guitar. She is also an excellent voice artist and often does work as a Master of Ceremonies and Freelance TV Field Presenter.

Jennifer has successfully released **eleven solo** albums during the past seventeen years: **LEEF, JY IS DIE EEN, EK HET JOU GEVIND, HART SE LOPER, HOOR HOOR, HIER'S MY HART, 'N DEKADE VAN MUSIEK** (a double CD celebrating her 10 year anniversary in the Afrikaans music industry), **DIE LEWE IS 'N LIEDJIE, HART EN SIEL, 15 JAAR SPESIALE UITGAWE** and her latest release **ONGELOOFLIK**.

Some of Jennifer's cd's has achieved recognition in many forms, like Music Awards Nominations and being included on very popular compilation albums. Her songs have also already been included on 14 different compilation cd's. Quite a few of her songs has reached the **Number 1** position on local radio stations music charts.

Her 2013 hit, “Hart en Siel” was specially written for her by the acclaimed song writer, Rudi Claase. The song was No.1 on four different radio stations, at the same time. At one radio station it was on the charts for 22 weeks. In 2015 the single “Sê dit harder”, also written by Claase, followed in the footsteps of “Hart en Siel” and is still enjoying radio play time on various radio stations. Her latest hit and title track “Ongelooflik” has achieved No 2 on Overvaal Stereo's Top50 songs for 2016 and got her the accolade as Overvaal Stereo's Femail Artist of the Year for 2016. Another song “Bietjie van jou liefde” from the same album also achieved No 2 on Bosveld Stereo's Top40 songs for 2016.

MEDIA COVERAGE:

RADIO PLAYLISTINGS (Jennifer's songs are playlisted on these stations)

Radio Sonder Grense (RSG), Jacaranda FM, Oos Rand Stereo, Overvaal Stereo, Lichvaal Stereo, Radio Rosestad, IFM, Radio Weskus, VCR 90.6 FM, Radio Kragbron, Radio Helderberg, Radio Laeveld, Radio Namakwaland, Radio Panorama, Bosveld Stereo, Radio Pretoria, Radio Rippel (Groot FM), Bay FM, Radio Kosmos, Radio Graaff-Reinet, Waterberg Stereo, Uitsaaines (Internet station) Kanaal 7 (Namibië), Radio Kudu (Namibië), NBC Afrikaanse Diens (Namibië) and many more.

MAGAZINES & NEWSPAPERS (whose done articles about Jennifer)

Huisgenoot, Vrouekeur (also the cover of **Vrouekeur Aug 2006**), Sarie, Rooi Rose, Finesse, Rapport Tydskrif, Taalgenoot, VONK en MENSE. Beeld, Die Burger, Die Volksblad, Rapport, Sondag & various community newspapers. Jennifer is very popular in Namibia, and the Namibian press follows her career with interest and has also placed articles about her in their local newspapers such as: Die Republikein, Namibian, Namib Times, New Era.

TELEVISION (programmes on which Jennifer appeared as guest)

DSTV : KYKNET – Kwêla, Fiesta, DKNT, Casper Rasper Show 2, Dis hoe dit is met Steve 2, Skaterlag met André (die Skreusnaakse Hipnotiseer), Glitterati, Jukebox, JAM en Bravo!
Guest field presenter for **KYKNET Fiesta** in April & November 2007, August 2008, August 2011 as well as Augustus 2012. She was also a guest on the Namibian TV channel, One Africa.

DSTV : KYKNET & KIE – Kollig

ASTV (Independent Digital Afrikaans station) – Kos is op die tafel and Kos vir die Siel

SABC2 - Stouteboude, Belboks, TUBE (World of Winners), **NOOT VIR NOOT 2006, Reeks 27, and PASELLA November 2011.**

SABC3 - Espresso Show, November 2015

MUSIC VIDEOS

2002 – Jy is die een, title track of the album '*Jy is die een*'.
2002 – Hey Bokka, a track from the album '*Jy is die een*'.
2005 – Hart se looper, title track of the album '*Hart se looper*'.
2008 – Hier's my hart, title track of the album '*Hier's my hart*'.
2012 – Ek sal berge klim vir jou, a track from the album, '*Die lewe is 'n liedjie*'.
2013 – Hart en Siel, the title track of the album '*Hart en Siel*'.
2015 – Sê dit harder, a track from the album '15 Jaar Spesiale Uitgawe'.
2016 – Ongelooflik, title track of the album 'Ongelooflik'.

AWARDS & NOMINATIONS

Charter – Afrikaans Language & Culture Association (ATKV) Centurion: 22 Mei 2004 received during a performance at the Centurion Theater for “promoting the Afrikaans language through her singing”.

Nomination - Huisgenoot Tempo Music Award 2006 : Nominated in 2 categories – **Favourite Pop Album** for the CD, Hoor Hoor (Jennifer was the only “independent artist” who reached the Top 10 list) and **Most Stylish Female Artist (she reached the Top 3)**.

Nomination - VONK Music Awards 2005/2006 : Nominated in 3 categories for the CD, Hart se looper– **Album of the Year, Best Female Album of the Year** and **Best Female Solo Artist of the Year**.

Nomination - Afrikaans Music Awards (AMT's) 2007 : Nominated in 1 category for - **Best Afrikaans Translation of an International Melody** with the song “Droom jou mooi drome” from the CD, HOOR HOOR.

Charter - ATKV Centurion: 11 Augustus 2008 received during the launch of her CD, Hier's my hart, again for “promoting the Afrikaans language through her singing”.

Nomination – EURO STAR AWARDS 2009 : Nominated in 1 category “**Female singers - Afrikaans cover of an actual Eurovision entry**” for the song “Ek wag op jou” from the CD “Hier's my hart”. The song was Norway's entry for the EUROVISION 2008 (Hold on be strong) contest.

Nomination – Rapport VONK Afrikaans Music Awards 2009 : Nominated in 1 category for “**Best Female Solo Artist of the Year**” for the CD, Hiers my hart.

Nomination – Die KYKNET Fiestas 2012/13 : Nominated as “**Best Fiesta Presenter**”.

Charter - ATKV Centurion: awarded on **10 April 2013** during the launch of her 9th cd, Hart en Siel.

Nomination – Ghoema Music Awards 2014 : Nominated for “**Best Contemporary Album by a Female Artist**” for the cd “**Hart en Siel**”.

Nomination – Ghoema Music Awards 2016 : Nominated for “**Best Contemporary Album by a Female Artist**” for the cd “**15 Jaar Spesiale Uitgawe**”.

Winner – Ghoema Music Awards 2016 : Winner for “**Best Country Album**” for the cd “**Ongelooflik**”.

Winner – Ghoema Music Awards 2016 : Winner for “**Public's Favourite Female Artist**”.

INTERNATIONAL RECOGNITION: 2006

Jennifer represented South Africa at the “**World Song Festival 2006**” with her own composition and song “**Hou my net ‘n bietjie vas**” from the album “Hoor Hoor”. She reached the **55th** place out of a **100** participating countries and that gave her International Recognition by her peers. This competition is only for song writers and is judged by a panel of 50 judges from all over the world.

INTERNATIONAL RECOGNITION: 2008

She was asked by the Norwegian Eurovision Representative to translate their Eurovision entry song for 2008 in Afrikaans. The Afrikaans version was officially presented to the Norway Eurovision delegates at the 2008 competition. Norway was one of the favourites to win, and ended in the **5th** position out of 24 countries. This was a first for a South African artist and was a great honour for Jennifer. Jennifer’s Afrikaans version, “**Ek wag op jou**” is on the CD, Hier’s my hart.

INTERNATIONAL RECOGNITION: 2011

Her song “**Ek sal berge klim vir jou**” from her album “Die lewe is ‘n liedjie” was selected to present South Africa at the “**Global Song Contest 2011**”. The competition is an initiative of Eurovision. A total of 150 countries participates in this competition. The good news is that South Africa reached **16th** place, which is an enormous achievement.

INTERNATIONAL RECOGNITION: 2015/16

The music video of her hit single “**Sê dit harder**” was entered, upon request, into an International Online Singing Contest, **SuperXtar**. This online competition is solely driven by online votes. Jennifer won the first two rounds and will represent **South Africa**, and her mother tongue **Afrikaans**, in the **USA** during **2017**.

CHARITY 2013

During the launch of her cd “Hart en Siel”, Jennifer was graciously appointed as a “**Goodwill Ambassador**” for the renowned **Acorn Foundation**. A non-profit organisation that “makes it easy to do good”. Early 2014 Jennifer has initiated and done a tour “**Bly Aan Glo**” Toer in conjunction with the **Acorn Foundation**. During the tour she has done performances in the Eastern Cape, Southern Cape, Western Cape and Free State. She has visited **ten** charity establishments and has donated **3 850** “meals in a bottle”. www.acornfoundation.org.za

CD’s (ALBUMS) RELEASED

Jennifer has already released **ELEVEN** solo albums, **LEEF, JY IS DIE EEN, EK HET JOU GEVIND, HART SE LOPER, HOOR HOOR, HIER’S MY HART, ‘N DEKADE VAN MUSIEK** (double CD for celebrating 10 years in the Afrikaans Music Industry), **DIE LEWE IS ‘N LIEDJIE, HART EN SIEL, 15 JAAR SPESIALE UITGAWE** (celebrating 15 years in the Afrikaans Music Industry) and her latest release **ONGELOOFLIK**.

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TITLE	DATE	RECORD LABEL	DISTRIBUTIION
SOLO ALBUMS:			
Leef	March 2001	Sting Music (Stêr Musiek)	Universal Music
Jy is die een	May 2002	Sting Music (Stêr Musiek)	Universal Music
Ek het jou gevind	Oct 2003	Sting Music (Stêr Musiek)	Universal Music
Hart se loper	Apr 2005	Jennifer Zamudio	SMD
Hoor Hoor	Jul 2006	Jennifer Zamudio	SMD
Hier’s my hart	Aug 2008	Markon Records	SMD
’n Dekade van Musiek –dubbel cd	May 2010	Markon Records	SMD
Die lewe is ‘n liedjie	Jul 2011	Zamudio Musiek	SMD
Hart en Siel	March 2013	Zamudio Musiek	SMD
15 Jaar Spesiale Uitgawe	July 2015	Jewel Entertainment	Universal Music
Ongelooflik	Jun 2016	Jennifer Zamudio	On the Go & Partners
INCLUDED ON THE FOLLOWING COMPILATION ALBUMS:			
Afrikaanse Nuwe Sterre	2001	EMI	EMI
Dozi & Vriende	2002	Sting Music (Stêr Musiek)	Universal Music
Warm Treffers	2002	Sting Music (Smug Music)	Universal Music
Kaleidoskoop 1 - Stef Kruger	Mei 2006	EMI Music	EMI
Bevonkte Afrikaanse Treffers Vol.2	Jul 2006	Vonk Musiek	SMD
Grootste Afr Sokkie 4	Mei 2007	Select Musiek	SMD
Grootste Afr Love Songs	Jun 2007	Select Musiek	SMD
Vrouekeur Jou eie Top 20	Sep 2007	EMI Music	EMI
Kaleidoskoop 2 – Stef Kruger	Okt 2009	Vonk Musiek	Vonk Musiek
Grootste Afr Sokkie DVD Vol.3	Okt 2010	Select Musiek	SMD
Grootste Afr Sokkie DVD Vol.4	Jun/Jul 2012	Select Musiek	SMD
Grootste Afr Sokkie 9	Jun/Jul 2012	Select Musiek	SMD

Premium Treffers	Jul 2012	Select Musiek	SMD
Bok Radio Top 40 Vol.2	Aug 2013	Select Musiek	SMD
'n Dekade +3 van Afr Treffer Vol 7	Okt 2013	Universal Music	Universal Music

PERFORMANCES / REFERENCES & HIGHLIGHTS (to name a few)

Jennifer is a popular artist in the music industry – and is invited to perform at some of our largest Festivals, Agricultural Expo’s, Events and Theatres.

Kersfees Skouspel, Carnival City 2012
 Klein Karoo Nasionale Kunstefees 2000 – 2005, 2007, 2008, 2011
 Aardklop Nasionale Kunstefees 2001 – 2008 (Compère vir Beeld by die Beeld-verhoog)
 Gariep Kunstefees 2003 – 2006, 2008, 2011
 Innibos Nasionale Kunstefees 2004 – 2007 / 2009 (Beeld Afskop Hoofverhoog Musiekfees), 2011, 2013
 Innibosveld – Kurt Darren se verjaarsdagfees 2011
 Volksblad Kunstefees 2006
 Suidoosterfees – RSG 2008, 2011
 Huisgenoot Musiekvaart MSC Symphonia – 2010
 The Carousel Casino and Entertainment World 2001, 2002 & 2009
 Carnival City Casino – Big Top Arena, Afrikaanse Musiekfees 2003
 Carnival City Casino – Big Top Arena, Klipdrift Afrikaanse Musiekfees4 2005 & Musiekfees5 2006
 Carnival City Casino – Big Top Arena, Afrikaans Music Festival 10 - 2011
 Carnival City Casino – Big Top Arena, Kersfees Skouspel 2012
 Emerald Casino – Oppievaal Musiekfees 2005
 Meropa Sun International Casino, Polokwane – 2006
 Flamingo Casino, Bar 129, Kimberley – 2007, 2013
 The Ridge Casino, Witbank – 2012, 2013
 Vredendal Rittelfees 2004 – 2008 & 2009
 Centurion Teater - Pretoria
 The Performer Teater – Pretoria
 Die Barklystraat Teater – Uitenhage
 Die Pierneef Teater – Pretoria
 Inniskuur Teater – Bloemfontein
 Jamrock Teater – Brackenfell
 7de Laan Jolyt (Gaskunstenaar saam met die Akteurs) - Phalaborwa 2005
 Royal Skou – Pietermaritzburg 2005 (Radio Sonder Grense Musiekfees – Anton Goosen & Vrinne)
 Centurion Teater – Pretoria, 24 Sep 2005 (saam met die legendariese Ollie Viljoen op trekklavier)
 Beeld Kinderfonds Valentynsbal – Pretoria, 10 Feb 2006 (Gaskunstenaar saam met 7de Laan & Egoli Akteurs)
 Compère saam met Elana Afrika by die Mrs Style South Africa – April 2006
 “Soos ou vriende – vir Anneli van Rooyen” – Centurion Teater, Januarie 2008 (deel van die huldigingskonsert vir Anneli van Rooyen)
 Jennifer Zamudio & Juanita du Plessis – The Ridge Casino, Witbank, 2012
 Jennifer Zamudio & Theuns Jordaan – The Ridge Casino, Witbank, 2013
 Jennifer Zamudio & Steve Hofmeyr – The Ridge Casino, Witbank, 2013

And many more.....

