

The Band Behind *Eyes on You*

Ruth Wood & Friends is a studio band based in Eugene, Oregon. They have just completed their first project—Christian contemporary pop album, *Eyes on You*. The music explores a wide range of emotions—from brokenness, loneliness and fear to exuberant joy in worship. Ruth Wood, the driving force behind the album, is a songwriter whose vintage rock/contemporary pop writing style is in the range of Michael W. Smith, Fernando Ortega, Amy Grant, Mark Schultz, Kathy Troccoli, and Twila Paris.

Watch for:

- the CD's corresponding worship journal, Reflections, featured in the monthly newsletter.

Executive Producer Ruth Wood is a songwriter, worship leader, and piano teacher. She is the winner of the 2003 Great American Song Contest (1st Place Christian/Gospel Category for Broken) and the following Portland Songwriter's Association contests:

- 1999, 1st Place CCM category, *Your Love*
- 2002, 1st Place CCM category and Grand Prize Winner, *Broken*
- 2003, 1st Place CCM category, *Stars in the Night*
- 2004, 1st Place CCM category, *Palm of His Hand*

Ruth enlisted exceptional local talent to actualize her vision for the album:

Recording Engineer: Michael McDonald—Syntharts Studio.

Arranger/producer/background vocals: Neil Patton

Solo Artist: Dave Mertz

Solo Artist: Amy Weinkauf

Solo Artist: Brooks Rice

Solo Artist: Rachel Poetzl

Solo Artist: Liesel Alkire

Solo Artist: Lisa Morton

Solo Artist: Timani Reynolds

Background Vocals: Lori Wike

Acoustic Guitar: Mike Edsall

Drums: Kevin Lemieux

Guitars: Tom Teutsch

Bass Guitar: Pat Brand

Upright Bass: Mark Schneider

Cello: Dale Bradley

Saxophone: James Jones

Flute: Cathy Patton

Choir: Steve Maricle

Ruth Wood & Friends plans future independent projects and yearly home-based concerts. They market via the internet and a strong grass roots campaign.