



R&B/Soul Artist Oya Releases New Rendition of “Silver Bells” for Holiday Season

--Oya debuts rendition of classic holiday single “Silver Bells” ahead of the 2021 release of her new album “My Father’s Star” and announces a special holiday animated music video for families--

LOS ANGELES – December 8, 2020 – Oya Thomas, the R&B/soul singer and author behind “The 5 Star Points for Success” has released a new music video and re-recording of the timeless Christmas carol, “Silver Bells” by Jay Livingston and Ray Evans. The special re-recording is currently playing on radio stations nationwide and has become a new holiday favorite this season.

Recorded in 2020 by Oya and first sung 70 years ago by William Frawley in 1950, “Silver Bells” was later made famous through recordings by Bob Hope, Bing Crosby, Michael Bubl , The Judds, and other vocalists. This classic version by Oya harkens to happy childhood memories and special times of holidays past spent with family and friends.

“Like many people, the holidays are my favorite time of the year, but this year’s season is unlike any other, when so many of us are apart and really need to hear something uplifting,” noted Oya. “I wanted to reach people with a message of joy and hope, especially when we can’t safely be with our loved ones this year. But this is still a special time to reflect on the past, and plan for an even brighter future.”

Spreading some holiday joy and cheer at a time when our world needs it most, Oya hopes that the beautiful music of “Silver Bells” uplifts the listener’s soul. The song is a reminder of the spirit of the season – a time to reflect and remember what matters most, as we look forward in anticipation of brighter days. For Oya, a frequent motivational speaker and business advisor, the end of the year is an important time to also look forward with optimism and focus on what we value and want most in our lives.

Oya’s recording of “Silver Bells” is currently playing on air and streaming online. A special animated video created by Food Fight Studios is also available on the Spirit of Oya [YouTube channel](#) for audiences of young and old. Food Fight Studios previously animated another Christmas classic with rapper/musician Wyclef Jean. Like Wyclef’s rendition of “Drummer Boy,” Oya’s special version of “Silver Bells” has the same holiday spirit and intentions of bringing joy to the world.

More about Oya and “Spirit of Oya” projects may be found at <https://spiritofoya.com>. The music video and single release of “Silver Bells” is available at [YouTube](#), iTunes, and all major music platforms. Follow Oya on [Twitter](#), [Instagram](#) or [Facebook](#).

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ABOUT OYA

Oya Thomas is a renowned singer, speaker and “soul centered strategist” who engages the minds of her clients at the heart and soul. The award-winning entertainer, activist and author behind “The 5 Star Points for Success: Manifest Your Dreams, Live Your Life’s Purpose,” Oya has helped many achieve success and create positive change in their personal and professional lives as well as their communities. A talented vocalist, she has been singing and performing all her life, sharing the stage with David Foster, Brian McKnight, and Eric Benet, and has published books and guides on the development of the self and the soul. Her debut album “Spirit of Oya” is a compilation of R&B/soul and contemporary favorites and original songs. Her second album “My Father’s Star” is currently in development. Oya earned her bachelor’s degree in psychology at Loyola Marymount University and her master’s degree in spiritual psychology at the University of Santa Monica. Through her performances, motivational speeches, master classes, and more, Oya has empowered many. Her mantra, “Don’t let anyone or anything dim your light – including yourself! Now, go out and shine like the STAR you are!” More about Oya and “Spirit of Oya” projects may be found at <https://spiritofoya.com>.