

2005 NEWS

SUNDAY, JULY 31, 2005

José's CD to be released in September

Good news! The Dutch label, **WVS Music**, will release in september José's first long awaited compilation : a CD (with her solo hits and bonus tracks).**WVS Music** was founded by Willem van Schijndel, a member of the Dutch party band De Deurzakkers.

(WVS Music website: http://www.wvsmusic.com/)

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 14, 2005



Soon: José's Second Fan club Day!!!

On September 24th. 2005 José's second fan club day will be held at Café St. Marten in Oirschot (near Eindhoven, Netherlands) from 1:00 to 6:00 PM. This event is organized by Peter Boonstra (founder of the José's fanclub) and is a perfect opportunity to meet the diva. Because of the positive reactions after the first fan club day in Oosterhoud, José decided to meet her public again. She will present her first CD compilation and sing her best tracks.

Swoop (a Belgian pop group which recorded a cover version of "*The Greatest Lover*" that topped the Flemish charts) and Dennis Jones will also be performing.

Other artists will attend this afternoon: Bonnie St. Claire, Marjan Berger, De Deurzakkers and Junior Anzola.

For further infos: <u>muziek.clubs.nl/josehoebee</u>

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 04, 2005

Patty's surprise at José's fan club day



Ten days ago, José's second fan club day was held in Oirschot, Netherlands. During this special event, the singer presented her first and long awaited CD compilation (Alle Hits & Unieke Bonustracks, released by WVS Music). The Flemish pop band Swoop gave José the first copy of this record. One of the highlights of this party: Patty's presence. The war between the two former rivals was over, after they had buried the hatchet last Spring. Of course, José was very enthusiastic about HER day.

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 11, 2005



José's first compilation: a real gift for the fans

A compilation is always a good opportunity for a singer to remind him/her of his/her career.

José presented her first "greatest hits" cd during her fan club day on September 24th in Oirschot, Netherlands. Strange that it took so many years to release this album, if you consider that José was part of the greatest Dutch girl group and scored solo hits in the Top 40.

José's recording career started in 1976 (one year before Luv' was created). At this time, she was a member of Elongi, a vocal group formed with her sisters. The ladies recorded a 7' single, produced by Piet Souer (one of the "fathers" of Luv'), which wasn't unfortunately successful.

From 1977 to 1981, as a Luv' girl, José conquered the pop charts in the Benelux countries, the German speaking countries, Denmark, South Africa and Mexico.

When she went solo, José chose a more "serious" repertoire. In some interviews, she admitted the songs she performed with Luv' weren't great compositions though they were "catchy". A lot of her solo tracks were cover versions of prestigious pop standards. She sang beautiful tunes originally performed by Peggy Lee March, Doris Day, Abba and Leonard Cohen... Her husband, Will Hoebee, a music producer, always

advised her on her artistic choices.

In 1990, she stopped her career to raise her son. Three years later, she made a comeback with Luv' to promote a compilation and to go on tour. After the group split up a second time, she seemed to have left the show business forever and to concentrate on her family life.

Her fans had to wait 2003 to hear from José again. Two years later, their dream came true when the "Alle Hits & Unieke Bonustracks" compilation was released by WVS Music, an independant label. On this anthology CD, the greatest hits (*I Will Follow Him, Secret Love, So Long Marianne*....) but also interesting bonus tracks can be found: - "*Elongi*": the very first song recorded by José and her sisters.

- "Don't Give Up / Don't Give Up On Us": a previously unreleased song sung with Piet Souer. This song was supposed to be performed as a duet with David Soul (famous for his role in the US TV series "Starsky & Hutch") who is a good friend of José and her husband.

- a 2005 version of her #1 hit "*I Will Follow Him*". This track, which is supposed to be released as a single, was remixed by Serge Ramaekers, who produced big hits for Flemish and Dutch projects like Confetti's, 2 Unlimited and Cartouche during the Euro Dance golden period (late 80's - early 90's).