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Jazz singer-songwriter & scientist Nazneen, no.3 in the BBC Woman's Hour Power List 2014, releases debut album "Can't Clip My Wings".

Auburn Jam Records is pleased to announce the release of cross-over **jazz singer-songwriter Nazneen**'s debut album, *Can't Clip My Wings*, on 6th May 2014. The album features eight self-penned tracks as well as covers of songs by Kate Bush, Kaiser Chiefs and Sade.

Last month, Nazneen (aka Professor Nazneen Rahman) was named the **number three 'Game Changer'** in the **BBC Woman's Hour Power List 2014** for her outstanding work identifying genes that cause cancer at the Institute of Cancer Research, London and the Royal Marsden NHS Foundation Trust. Internationally recognised for her scientific research, Nazneen travels all over the world and regularly features in the media: in 2012 her team was featured on **BBC's Horizon** and Nazneen was a speaker at **WIRED 2013 Conference**. It is only very recently, however, that Nazneen has started making a name for herself as a cross-over jazz singer-songwriter.

Nazneen began singing and recording her favourite jazz standards and jazz covers of pop songs as a release from her hectic work schedule a few years ago. After uploading these to Soundcloud in 2012, Nazneen found herself with a following of over a thousand music lovers within a couple of months, filling her tracks with positive comments. Encouraged, she began recording her own original songs with producer Joe Davison of Auburn Jam Music, sharing her works-in-progress with the Soundcloud community along the way. To date, Nazneen has had over 30,000 plays of her songs from fans all over the world.

Nazneen says of her music:

"In 2011 I started singing intimate stories about life's complexities. I didn't set out to write such songs, but those are the ones I have written. I didn't write them in the anticipation that anyone would listen to them, but I have been touched and delighted that people do listen. The great jazz singers are a constant inspiration as are creative, individual, fearless artists like Kate Bush, Amy Winehouse and Björk. The words are the heart of my songs but the music is equally vital; every scorching piano chord, poignant cello, slinky bass and lush harmony is integral to the whole".

Two of Nazneen's songs, 'Lost Cause' and 'The Time Travelling Wife' reached the finals of the UK Songwriting Contest 2013, judged by Grammy, BRIT, Emmy & CMA award-winning producers Kipper Eldridge (Sting), Stuart Epps (Elton John, Robbie Williams, Oasis), Simon Ellis (Britney Spears, Spice Girls) and Dr Richard Niles (Paul McCartney, Kylie Minogue, Take That, Mariah Carey). Last month, she supported West-End performer and singer-songwriter Nadim Naaman at the Pizza Express Live venue in Chelsea, where she and her three-piece band received warm praise from reviewers and audience alike:

"Crossover singer-songwriter Nazneen charmed as the gig's supporting act with her intimate vocals, and gentle vibrato... endearingly melancholic original songs" — Christopher Wiley, Musical Theatre Review.

Can't Clip My Wings will be available for download via iTunes and other major online retailers from May 6th 2014, and physical copies are available to pre-order now from nazneenmusic.auburnjam.co.uk.

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