

# Alyssa Allgood | Jazz Vocalist

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## - Short Bio -

*"A fast-rising Chicago singer...Allgood combines an unpretentious stage manner with a sophisticated jazz sensibility."*

*-Howard Reich, Chicago Tribune*

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**Alyssa Allgood** has gained attention for "her technical control and [the] creative imagination of her work (Howard Reich, Chicago Tribune). She has been described as an "impressive bop-oriented singer" by DownBeat Magazine and "an emerging talent of considerable strength" by The New York City Jazz Record.

Allgood was recently named "Best Jazz Entertainer" in the 2019 Chicago Music Awards. Her performance accolades include appearances at the world-famous Birdland Jazz Club in New York City, the Green Mill, the Jazz Showcase and the Chicago Jazz Festival in Chicago, and the Jazz Estate in Milwaukee.

She recently won the first Ella Fitzgerald Jazz Vocal Competition held in Washington D.C. in 2017. Other notable awards include being named a Finalist in the 2016 and 2017 Sarah Vaughan International Jazz Vocal Competitions, and a Top 10 Semifinalist in the 2015 Shure Montreux Jazz Voice Competition; where she competed live in Switzerland for a jury presided by jazz legend Al Jarreau.

Allgood's debut album, *Out of the Blue*, was released in Fall 2016 to wide critical acclaim. It received a 4 star review from DownBeat Magazine and was named a "Best Release of 2016" by seven different publications including The Huffington Post and All About Jazz and a "Best Debut Release of 2016" by The New York City Jazz Record. Allgood's sophomore album, *Exactly Like You*, was released in November 2018 on Vancouver label Cellar Live Records. It received a 3.5 star review from DownBeat Magazine, and was described as "the vocal record of the year" by the Chicago Jazz Magazine.