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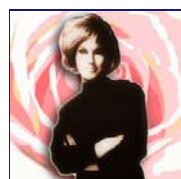
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Excerpt from interview with David Lasley, Songwriter of "I Wish That Love Could Last", also mentioning that Dusty sang backup on a song he did.

DAVID - These CDs are not available in stores here in the US, but people can order them through my web site

Joel - And what about your new baby, Back To Blue-Eyed Soul?

Joel - You did that one yourself, right?

DAVID - Two other Japanese companies re-issued two other CDs, my Missin' Twenty Grand CD, and another Rosie CD, Better Late Than Never

DAVID - Yes, Back to Blue-Eyed Soul has been a really important labor of love for me!

Joel - How long has it been in the works?

DAVID - It's a compilation of my work dating back to 1966 (yikes!)

DAVID - It features some recent songs too, in fact

Joel - I'm listening to it right now, in fact, and it's great.

DAVID - Thanks!! I've had a lot of great response to it

Joel - Tell me about some of the folks who joined you on its tracks. People like Dusty Springfield?

DAVID - I included some songs from my early groups, the Utopias, and Rosie, too

DAVID - including some out-of-print stuff, and hard to find things, plus some movie themes and radio jingles that I'd done over the years

DAVID - Yes, I was so lucky to be able to work with Dusty, who is one of my all time favorites

DAVID - She sang on a recording I did of a song called "Earth Children," and she was part of the choir that included Arnold and Priscilla Coolidge, among others

DAVID - Dusty had a step-out part, too

DAVID - I had decided to put this song on "Back to Blue-Eyed Soul," and just last week, I found a copy of "Simply Dusty," which is a four CD retrospective of her entire career....

DAVID - And it includes "I Wish That Love Would Last," which is a song I wrote (and that Arnold and I sang backgrounds on)....

DAVID - And the liner notes to Dusty's CD mention that I wrote that song, and they also say that Dusty worked with me another time on the song "Earth Children" -- and....

Joel - It was a surprise to you?

DAVID - the liner notes refer to this song as not having been released -- but now, with "Back To Blue-Eyed Soul," it is!

DAVID - Yes, it was a surprise, and it made me very happy!!

DAVID - The timing was such a coincidence!

Source of interview: <http://www.james-taylor.com/text/lasley11-28-2000.shtml>

Here is David's comment on the track listing above:

8. Earth Children/Life Goes On

An out-take from Missin' Twenty Grand, this is a medley of two of my favorite songs: "Earth Children," written by Booker T. and Priscilla Jones, and "Life Goes On" written by Benard ("Everything Must Change") Ighner. This recording is very special to me because, along with Benard and me, the choir consists of Arnold McCuller, Priscilla Coolidge Jones, and the late, great, incredibly magnificent Dusty Springfield. Like "Roomate," this is a

rough mix and the only tape in existence. We had to use this version on Back to Blue-Eyed Soul because the two-inch master was lost, and therefore some of the vocals are not as loud as they should be (sorry, Benard). But Priscilla's soprano notes are exquisite, and Dusty shimmers like the angel that she now is. The track was engineered by Dave Iveland at A&M's Studio C. It was a difficult session, because my nervousness and anxiety made me ill-prepared as a producer, but the singers were swell and held my hand, and we got through it. Though he absolutely loved it, my pal Gary Gersh didn't feel it fit into Missin' Twenty Grand's vibe. It was intended for the B side of my fourth single, "Never Say," which was never released.

Source: <http://www.davidlasley.com/BES.html#tracks>

Does anyone have a copy of this track? Have you heard Dusty singing backup on this song?

Oh, and nothing gets by Paul Howes, people. This track is listed on p. 488 of the new edition of The Complete Dusty Springfield. 🏠



We're here for Dusty...
<http://www.dustyspringfield.info>

Kathy
Wasn't born to follow
★★★★★

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except on page 149 Paul has Dusty recording in 1865 not 1965, either that or she was a real long time pioneer! 🏠

xx
Kathy

"I sometimes smile when I think of how I looked then..."



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Thanks for finding that Nancy. I didn't think I'd read it before until I came to the "Dusty shimmers like the angel she now is", when I knew I had. It may even have been in a past Bulletin, if not all of it, then just that part. I don't have the song unfortunately.

Carole x

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"Since you went away, I've been hanging around...."



Birdie Breeze
Little by little
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DAVID - And it includes "I Wish That Love Would Last," which is a song I wrote (and that Arnold and I sang backgrounds on)....

It was co-written with Allee "What Have I done to deserve This" Willis :-)

David is fabulous, as is Arnold and Allee!!

They have all worked a lot together.

XXO B

<http://www.myspace.com/birdiebreeze>



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