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## Jade Starling talks new album, 'Captive'

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It's been more than 25 years since Jade Starling first captured the hearts of dance music fans with "Catch Me I'm Falling," a Top 10 hit back in 1987 for her Philadelphia-based ensemble Pretty Poison. On Tuesday, Aug. 12, Starling will release "Captive," a collaboration with Pretty Poison's Whey Cooler that marks her debut album.

"We decided that this particular record would be my solo record because the sound is very current, it definitely is more in the EDM genre, and we wanted people to be able to listen without prejudice," said Starling, a Burlington County native. "Because, if they think of Pretty Poison, naturally they're going to think of 'Catch Me I'm Falling' or 'Nighttime.'



*(Photo: Gretchen Johnson)*

"But, I think a Pretty Poison fan would not be disappointed. This is a dance album, but it's definitely a current-sounding album."

Featuring collaborations with Lee Dagger from the British remix team Bimbo Jones, up-and-comer Laszlo and French DJ Franck Dona, the album was co-written and co-produced by Cooler. "We did all of the vocals here, in our studio in Cherry Hill, and produced all of the tracks here," said Starling.

While "Captive" is a New Jersey product, the collaborations crossed oceans, with Starling and Cooler writing tracks with Dagger via Skype. "It's just like being in a room together," she said. "I find it pretty amazing how we can make music internationally and not have to leave our studio."

Starling will be celebrating "Captive" with a performance 8 p.m. Monday, Aug. 11 at the kick-off party for the DJ Expo at the Black Box Cabaret at Scores Atlantic City.

The DJ Expo, presented by DJ Times, runs Monday, Aug. 11 through Thursday, Aug. 14 at the Trump Taj Mahal in Atlantic City.

For ticket options and a full rundown of scheduled events, visit <http://djtimes.com/thedjexpo>.

"It's wonderful. I'm honored to be a part of it and excited to share the excitement with everybody," said Starling.

"It's like coming home, but it's like bringing the world with me, in a way," she added.

**JADE STARLING**

*NEW ALBUM: "Captive," the solo debut from the Pretty Poison frontwoman, will be released Tuesday, Aug. 12 on Subpoena/Universal.*

*LIVE: 8 p.m. Monday, Aug. 11 at the Black Box Cabaret at Scores Atlantic City, 1000 Boardwalk. The show is the kick-off party for the annual DJ Expo, which runs through August 14 at the Trump Taj Mahal. For details, schedule and ticket options, visit <http://djtimes.com/thedjexpo>.*

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