Jazz Life

This is Virginia Schenck's third alum, she is well known as VA , who is an energetic singer based in Atlanta. She looks up to Abbey Lincoln as her model, so she took "Music is the Magic", "Throw it away" into her second album and hit upon an idea that she was going to sing all Abbey's collection in the next album while she was having her live show. The title of CD(the album), Aminata Moseka was the African name that Abbey gave(revealed her identity) during Africa Tour. As VA has got influenced by Abbey's songs, she sings Abbey's songs as her unique ones that conveys her message, expresses it very well. VA tried to put Maya Angelou's poem before that well known Caged Bird, and sings "River" by Abbey with free and avant-garde improvisational performance by Kenny Bales, which I think is a bold try. Kevin Bales, Rodney Jordan, and Marlon Patton, this trio performs so well.

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