

Throwback: Mavis Staples - Melody Cool



[youtube id="fy4Scr_nbbI"] Mavis Staples recorded "Melody Cool" for Prince's *Graffiti Bridge* soundtrack and the song also appeared on her '93 album, *The Voice*. Prince wrote "Melody Cool" and worked with Staples on multiple occasions. He was a fan of Staples and her gospel star family members The Staple Singers. Prince produced Staples' *The Voice* and *Time Waits For No One* albums for his Paisley Park Records. She became one of the few R&B veterans Prince made relevant again with his music. Staples performed "Melody Cool" in *Graffiti Bridge* and attracted a new generation of fans. The addition of Staples' singing to the soundtrack is another reason why *Graffiti Bridge* is more admired for its music than its cinematic value. Staples' 14th studio album, *Livin' On A High Note* was released at the beginning of 2016.

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