Throwback: Neneh Cherry-Buffalo Stance



Neneh Cherry's "Buffalo Stance" made her an international pop star when it became a Top Ten hit in more than 10 countries. The first single from her 1989 debut album Raw Like Sushi was the reinvention of another song. "Looking Good Diving With The Wild Bunch" was the b-side to "Looking Good Diving" by Morgan-McVey, a duo comprised of Jamie Morgan and Cherry's future spouse Cameron McVey. Cherry sang and rapped on the former which sounded like a mix of freestyle and electro. Cherry rerecorded "Looking Good Diving With The Wild Bunch" with producer and DJ Tim Simenon also known as Bomb The Bass and "Buffalo Stance." The new song was hip-hop and Cherry's line "No money-man can win my love it's sweetness that I'm dreaming of" imprinted upon the brains and hearts of all who heard it.

She explained in interviews that the "Buffalo Stance" was the posture people needed to survive in urban spaces and it also referred to Malcolm McLaren's "Buffalo Gals," one of the songs sampled.

The video was in regular rotation on MTV and Cherry received an MTV Video Music Award for Best New Artist nomination for "Buffalo Stance." Raw Like Sushi became a landmark album enchanting listeners with its pop, R&B, and hip-hop blend. In 2019, the Raw Like Sushi 30th Anniversary Deluxe edition was released. In 2022, Cherry's sixth studio album of redone songs from her catalog The Versions came out. She just announced her forthcoming memoir A Thousand Threads due for release in October. Fern Press is publishing the title that has Cherry acknowledging "the power of love and the joy of creativity." A Thousand Threads can be pre-ordered now.

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