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Jo Carol Pierce – Dog of Love

Self-Released

Jo Carol Pierce's music does not fit well into the genre-continuum. Not quite edgy enough to be avante garde, and neither jazz nor rock, Dog of Love combines odd elements from all of these together to make whatever it is she and her band are playing. Song "Dog of Love" carries a striking resemblance to a hit Iggy Pop song (here's a clue: Pierce's lyrics are "Let me be your dog"), with a sort of blues vibe behind a quiet(er) rock rendition of what Pop did years ahead of time.

Most of the songs remind me of 80's pseudo-punk rocker's Poison Girls, without the punk: both rely on strong female-fronted voices, both use up-beat rock rhythms, and both seem to have equal amounts of sass.

Shelton's Second Single of the Week: "Carnival Girls"