

## **Over the clouds...("Über den Wolken")**

You do remember, do you? Correct – it was Reinhard Mey at the end of the seventies, who saw endless freedom. Quite a long time ago! (not taking into account the current remix). It was just the time to produce a new song about flying. Specially in a time when flying is producing more and more superlatives. Like the Airbus A380 - the "Air-Boss". The largest air-liner in the world. Exactly there the Italian singer Diva Agata appears on the scene....

The artist from Vittoria on Sicily was always inspired by flying. Since she was on a fair with her school class and stopped right in front of a Lufthansa desk. Pilots and flight attendances in their attractive uniforms - Mamma mia, that was great! At that time Agata was sure: Sometime I will be involved in flying, I will steer a jet myself. But firstly mother Maria and father Rosario supported her voice-talent. Education on different music academys and her first television appearance at the age of five. Her voice became more and more perfect – up to a volume of four octaves. But Agata wanted much more, she wanted to create something great. She had her idol – at least 40 years ago her father invented the famous chocolate with the cherry inside (Italians would say "...grandioso"...) And her cousin Arturo di Modica, a sculptor, created the famous bull sculpture in New York' wall street.

But her life changed the same way like many other woman's life - Amore, Amore, Amore! ..... and instead flying between Rome and Los Angeles she intensively took care of her children. She never regretted: "For my wonderful children Venerando, Sarah and Deborah, who are signifying for my life, with pleasure I put back my dream of flying!" Viva la Mamma....

And then....her career as a singer begun. Engagements among others in Las Vegas, Spain, Portugal, the United Arab Emirates. Performances in seven languages, presentations in four languages.

But her dream of flying reminded. After her husband pasted away in August 2003 as distraction of the painful loss Diva Agata systematically begun to concentrate on nothing but the boundless freedom over the clouds in the sky.

Magazines, columnes, reports in newspapers, illustrates and in TV. And over and over again she was fascinated by ONE jet – the Airbus A380. With a capacity of 800 passengers like a flying hotel. Something unbelievable great.

Talking to the pilot Juan Romero she got closer and closer to the giant of the air. Although she never saw „her A380“ in reality, with the phantasy of a singer she suddenly started hearing its sounds.... The murmuring of the voices in the cabin..... The conversation between the tower and the pilot.... In 2004 she decided: this MUST be a song! Diva Agata started searching for musical partners. A complicated way. But it led to Giorgio Camese, an Italian musician and composer, located in Aschaffenburg... who – beside his musical knowledge – had another great advantage: he believed in Agata and her ideas. Endless hours in sound-studios followed. Meanwhile also Giorgio was infected by the flying-virus. 14 choral voices, 1 tenor und 18 stringed instruments were added to the song. And of course a real pilot' voice - Juan Romero.

That's how the love-declaration to the A380 begun: "Near to the Sky". A hymn to the flying, to the engineers, technicians, who developed the air-boss (which the diva affectionately calles "my giant"). But now Diva Agata wanted much more: "Near to the Sky" should become bord-song of the A380. During take-off and landing. To give the passenger the feeling of sitting in the front in the cockpit. This was followed by long discussions with Airbus S.A.S. in Toulouse. They received the demo-version of the song. The responsible persons of this huge airplane shipyard were convinced: Yes, this is a beautiful hommage to the A380! Agata became the licence to dedicate this special song to this super-flyer. One can hear it at the demo-provings starting January 2007. Inside the emperor of the sky, somewhere between Frankfurt, New York, Rome, Hongkong, Sydney and Johannesburg. Over the clouds. Where freedom still is boundless...as well as on radio, in TV, in the discos....and and and....!!!

## **Biography**

DIVA AGATA (common name Agata Bonafé Mongiovi) was born in „VITTORIA“ (translation means: „Victory“) in Sicilia/ Italy.

Already as a child she got singing and music instruction from her parents. At the age of 5 her first appearance in the

italian TV.

At the age of 8 Agata and her parents came to Germany;  
visit of a german school.

Secondary school in Italy.

Other trainings and music intensifying educations followed.

For the first time at the age of 18 Agata became mama of a  
wonderful son: Venerando.

At the age of 20 her daughter Sarah (she also participates in  
the video-clip) arrived on this world.

When she was 26 her third child, daughter Deborah, was  
born.

In the meantime DIVA AGATA together with her husband  
opened 4 big event-halls (for 2000 and 3500 persons) with  
restaurants – her own stages were born.

She had a lot of appearances with own bands (among  
others „Sergeant Peppers Lonely Hearts Club Band“) in their  
own event-halls, bookings in many other locations followed.

Specialized in the field of soul/blues.

Further education (1 year) in classic music.

Appearances in Las Vegas / Milano / Abu Dhabi / Mallorca/  
Germany /special galas.

Selling her own shows, i.e. the Las Vegas-Show or the LA  
DIVA CONCERT. She was accompanied by a piano-player,  
by 8-mans-band up to an orchestra with 24 musicians.

### **Discography**

Oktober 10, 2006: Publishing of the first production of the  
limited CD, worldwide edition 2000 pcs., the last remaining  
CD's will be sold via e-Bay within the next days.

Also the new CD-production is ready, the master-tape is on  
its way for manufacturing. The new CD with the title "NEAR  
TO THE SKY – THE HOMAGE" DIVA AGATA's Hymn for the  
A380

The existing versions of the song (from the first CD, limited

edition) are available as download, via the homepage of DIVA AGATA and 24 worldwide online-distribution companies, as „the first idea production“ they will remain available through download on the homepage [www.diva-gata.com](http://www.diva-gata.com)

New maxi-single CD "NEAR TO THE SKY – THE HOMAGE" DIVA AGATA's hymn for the A380

including the following tracks:

Track 1: Near to the sky – Homage-Basic-Version 5.27 min

Track 2: Near to the sky – Homage-Radio-Basic-Version 3.25 min.

Track 3: Near to the sky – Homage-Dance-Club-Extended-Version 6.18 min.

Track 4: Near to the sky – Homage-Dance-Club-Radio – Version 3.45 min.

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