

## Interview with Jenna Drey by Zack Camryn

Watch out dance music fans, newcomer Jenna Drey has pipes of steel plus two-time Grammy-award winning producer Nile Rodgers in her corner. "Jenna Drey possesses the promise, ambition, and talent of a great songwriter and singer," says Rodgers, who has produced for the likes of Madonna and Cher. Jenna's first single, "Just Like That" was the official battle song for this year's World Series Champs, the Boston Red Sox. Her second single, "Killin Me", produced by Billboard dance producer Mike Rizzo, drops this month.

### **Many of your songs are about love. As a straight woman, what can you teach gay men about love?**

Never trust a man! Kidding! My advice would be to be as independent as you can, and love will find you. Good advice! With your looks, you probably have no problem finding love. The truth is I would rather be alone than casually dating guys who end up wasting my time.



### **With your career taking off the way that it is, do you even have time for a relationship right now?**

There's always time for the things that are important in your life. I just need to find someone who is just as busy, but can set aside time in the bedroom every now and then to enjoy perhaps, the most important aspect of a relationship.

### **Are your songs from personal experience?**

When writing songs, I normally create a melody first. The mood of the melody then influences the subject matter and I let my subconscious thoughts take over.

### **In "Killin' Me", you sing, "It's Killin' Me to Let You Go" Are you basically dumping someone with the old "It's not about you, it's about me" excuse?**

No, "Killin' Me" is not a song about anyone being dumped. It's about the mental and emotional pain of trying to let go of someone you still love after a relationship has ended. Many times, relationships end for mutual reasons and you don't realize how hard it is to live without that person in your life until they are gone.

### **Is it true your single, "Just Like That", was the official song for the world series champs, The Boston Red Sox?**

Yes! How cool is that? The song's sports theme was adopted by the Red Sox as the good luck spell to "Reverse The Curse, Just Like That."

**How did it happen?**

I kept hearing the sports commentators using the line, "Just Like That", on TV. I swear, sometimes I counted them saying it over a dozen times in one game. I had already written my song, but I could hear that if I just made some minor changes to the chorus, I could create a high energy sports theme out of it, kind of like a "Who Let the Dogs Out". Once the recording was finished, we pitched the concept to the owner of the Sox, John Henry, and he like it!

**Did you get to meet any of the players? Any cuties on the team?**

Johnny Damon, Jason Varitek, Keith Foulke there are a lot!

**I'm starting to really like you, Jenna! How were you discovered?**

I competed in songwriting contests. My songs were forwarded to A&R people at various labels and that eventually led to my getting a record contract with Emanon Records.

