



**L I F E - F O R C E – DARKYRA – Friday 13<sup>th</sup> July Release 2025 – Label: Battlegod Productions**

"Life Force " is the third release under the Darkyra brand. The album a joint venture between Drummer and Producer Garry King (Jeff Beck and Joe Lynn Turner) and Singer / Songwriter, Gina Bafile, (aka Darkyra / Darkyra Black, (she also is the new lead singer of [Anfitrite](#)). The friendship between the two dates back a full decade and this is the third album they have worked on together this time co-produced and arranged by them both and Garry has Mixed and Edited everything at 'La Foret Studio', in the Southwest of France.

The Darkyra sound is quite diverse combining Cinematic Metal, Epic Metal, Gothic Rock, Art Rock, Opera Metal and Progressive Rock. Blending both soaring operatic vocals and rock vocals. Memorable melodies, World class production and world class musicianship.

Darkyra has many influences, some of these being Kate Bush, Devin Townsend, Tarja Turunen, though preferring not to be pigeonholed into any one category but rather letting the mood predict the outcome and the voice narrate the many characters within each song. A few things are different on this album, the vocals are set further in the mix to give it more of a rock style edge and the music is less dominated by keyboards and synth. Part of their aim was to capture the essence of 80's rock and combine it with gothic and progressive rock but emphasize the bass and low tuned guitars to still keep a semi metal sound. Lots of vocal layering.

So What's the album about?

**Life-Force is a collection of songs based around both the light and dark aspects of human nature. It is a walk through an eclectic mind, cinematic storytelling driven by the push pull of good and evil, the inner and outer demons, slaves to a virtual world yet there are those still willing to give it all for a Celebrity Smile.**

**"Life Force" we see it fade slowly in the sick as they slip away, we feel the vibrancy of the youth who have time and energy to play and within our memories the fallen forever loved, sometimes felt as if they remain.**

**"Life Force" it flows within us all. It is the unity of friends across the globe, the creation of magic in the form of music. The spirit within that speaks volumes.... after all, ...THE WORLD IS A STAGE!**

The album hashes out some real personal things. All in Good Time – Autism in Early Childhood, Breathe – Learning to pick yourself up after Cancer, Tested the Water- Separation, Take Me Far Away – looking for closure and somewhere to lay down roots, One Foot in the Grave – the elderly waiting for what seems to be an eternity to join their fallen loved ones, Tomorrow Without You – Watching a parent fall ill and pass away and trying to come to terms with the grief. Life Force – a reflection of the friendships formed through music stemming back a decade and Quiet the Mind – a mind that just won't stop to rest.

#### **Performer Credits:**

GINA BAFILE – Lead Vocals & Backup Vocals

GARRY KING – Drums, Percussion, Loops & Backup Vocals, Extra Keyboards on (Bonus Track 'Tested the Water')

LUCIO MANCA – Bass Guitar (excluding 'Take Me Far' and 'Celebrity Smile')

GUS MANSUR – Guitars (all tracks incl. Breathe, Extra Guitar parts and solo on 'Tested the Water')

FAB JABLONSKI – Keyboard, Piano and Synth

MAAZ MANIK – Bass Guitar (Celebrity Smile, Take Me Far Away)

VINNI BAFILE – Clean & Drone Guitar (Quiet the Mind)

JAMES MICHAEL – Guitars on 'Breathe' and 'Tested the Water'

#### **Songwriter / Production Credits:**

'Life Force' album,

**Produced and arranged by:** *Garry King and Gina Bafile*

**Edited and Mixed:** *Garry King at La Foret Studios, South West France*

**Composition and Lyrics:** *Gina Bafile (Breathe, All in Good Time, Life Force, Tomorrow Without You, Celebrity Smile, Quiet Mind, One Foot in the Grave)*

**Composition:** *'Take Me Far'* by *Maaz Manik*, **Lyrics:** *Maaz Manik and Gina Bafile*

**Composition:** *'Leap Before You Die'* by *Krissy Sanfead (overall guitar concept) and Gina Bafile*, **Lyrics:** *Gina Bafile*

**Composition & Lyrics:** *Bonus Track - 'Tested the Water'* by *James Michael*

## Life Force - Track List

1. Life Force 4:20
2. Take Me Far 5:19
3. Breathe 4:02
4. All in Good Time 5:13
5. One Foot in the Grave 3:38
6. Tomorrow Without You 3.22
7. Leap Before You Die 3:51
8. Quiet the Mind 3:49
9. Tested the Water (Bonus Track) 5:04
10. Celebrity Smile 8:30

**Cover Art:** 'Dove & Raven' Image by Fern Gadd Artistry, Layout by Gina Bafile

## DISCOGRAPHY

2014 – DRAGON TEARS



2015 - FOOL



2025 – LIFE FORCE



LINKS

SPOTIFY

<https://open.spotify.com/artist/4VRJy3osm0rMsYthOvKfKM?si=aCMq-xJIQC61vZ3xKdOyaw>

**YouTube**

<https://www.youtube.com/@Darkyramusic>

**FACEBOOK**

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<https://darkyrablack.bandcamp.com>

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