

Tessanne makes Billboard Top 100, to headline Shaggy and Friends show

The accolades and appearances are being racked up by Jamaican songstress, Tessanne Chin since taking home the crown on season five of The Voice Tuesday night.

Billboard took strong notice of one of her best vocal performances on the American talent show – a rendition of Simon and Garfunkel's Bridge over Trouble Water – placing at number 64 on its Top 100 chart. The song, which topped the iTunes chart a day after her performance, has sold over 60,000 digital units since she performed it during the semi-finals of The Voice, according to Billboard, warranting a place on the list. It is the first time she has ever appeared on the chart. Meanwhile, Chin will perform her first live show in Jamaica since her triumph on The Voice as she is set to headline Shaggy and Friends, the bi-annual charity show hosted by Grammy-winning entertainer and mentor, Shaggy. Shaggy, who encouraged Chin to audition for the show, said he knew her potential and abilities would be fulfilled on the show, telling the Jamaica Observer, "I had first-hand experience and, therefore, knew what was required for someone to go all the way on The Voice and just knew Tessanne was the full package. She has that great personality plus she can sing like hell. I was confident it would work for all concerned.” Shaggy and Friends, which donates its proceeds to building a soon-to-be-opened cardiac wing the Bustamante Hospital for Children, will take place on the lawns of Jamaica House on Jan. 4 and feature artists such as Damian ‘Jr. Gong’ Marley, Chronixx, I-Octane, Konshens, Tarrus Riley, Wayne Marshall, Ne-Yo and many more. Tessanne Chin is currently undergoing a media blitz of sorts in the United States, performing on the The Tonight Show with Jay Leno Wednesday night, while doing interviews on The Today Show, Live with Kelly and Michael as well as the live edition of Access Hollywood.