

= You and Me (Lifehouse song) =

" You and Me " is a song by American alternative rock band Lifehouse . It is the first single released from their eponymous third studio album , Lifehouse (2005) . The track was written by lead singer Jason Wade and American record producer Jude Cole . It was recorded and produced by John Alagía at his home studio in Easton , Maryland . The song was first released via digital download on January 28 , 2005 . It was then solicited to mainstream radio on March 15 , 2005 . An extended wedding version of the song was then released on July 26 , 2005 . Musically , " You and Me " is a melodic pop rock song which , by today 's standards , has a notably high emphasis on acoustics . It also contains influences of adult alternative .

The song received positive reviews from critics , who noted that the song was more mellow and stripped @-@ down than their previous singles . It became a commercial success , charting in the top five in the United States and also charting in Australia and New Zealand . On May 19 , 2005 , the song was certified Gold by the RIAA for selling more than 500 @,@ 000 units in the United States . In 2005 , it became the ninth most downloaded song , according to Nielsen SoundScan . Because of its success , it appeared as the number one song on Billboard 's list of Top 40 Adult Pop Songs from 1996 ? 2011 on March 16 , 2011 . A music video for the song premiered on MTV.com on March 21 , 2005 , and features a couple as Wade sings in a train station . " You and Me " has appeared on many television shows , including Smallville , Grey 's Anatomy , The Vampire Diaries , Cold Case and Gavin & Stacey .

= = Background and release = =

The song was written by Lifehouse lead singer Jason Wade and American record producer Jude Cole . It was recorded and produced by John Alagía at his home studio in Easton , Maryland . In an interview with MTV , Wade explained his experience working with Alagía , and said , " When we walked into John 's house , we didn 't know what to expect , and we get in there and the mixing board is in the living room , the B3 [organ] is in the kitchen and the piano is over there . And he 's so nonchalant about all his stuff ? there 'd be a triple @-@ platinum Dave Matthews Band plaque sticking out from under the bed . " " You and Me " was first released via digital download on January 28 , 2005 . It was then solicited to mainstream radio on March 15 , 2005 . An extended wedding version of the song was released on July 26 , 2005 .

= = Composition and critical reception = =

" You and Me " was described as a pop rock song with influences of adult alternative . John DiBiase of Jesus Freak Hideout described the song as " a tender acoustic love ballad " noting how the song was " noticeably more mellow and stripped @-@ down than the band 's previous singles . " Ultimate Guitar called the song " a tender love @-@ ballad " and noted how it would be " a perfect soundtrack for a wedding . " Alternative Addiction said that the song was embraced by fans in the same way " Hanging by a Moment " was when Lifehouse started as a band . According to the sheet music published at Musicnotes.com by Sony / ATV Music Publishing , the song is set in 6 / 8 time with a " slow " tempo of 46 beats per minute . It is composed in the key of G major with Wade 's vocal range spanning from the low @-@ note of C3 to the high @-@ note of E4 . The song has a basic chord progression of G5 ? G5 / C ? G5 / F ? ? G5 / B ? Em7 ? Dsus4 ? C.

= = Chart performance = =

" You and Me " debuted at number 92 on the Billboard Hot 100 for the week of February 12 , 2005 . It stayed on the chart for 62 non @-@ consecutive weeks , and eventually peaked at number five . On the Billboard Adult Contemporary chart , the song debuted at number 29 for the week of July 23 , 2005 . It eventually peaked at number one after it stayed on the chart for 34 non @-@ consecutive weeks . The song debuted at number 29 on the Billboard Adult Pop Songs chart for the week of

February 19 , 2005 . After moving around the chart for 39 consecutive weeks , the song peaked at number one for nine non @-@ consecutive weeks . Because of its success on the chart , " You and Me " became the number one song on Billboard 's list of the Top 40 Adult Pop Songs from 1996 ? 2011 on March 16 , 2011 . On the Billboard Digital Songs chart , the song debuted at number 38 for the week of April 23 , 2005 . After moving around the chart for 31 non @-@ consecutive weeks , the song eventually peaked at number three . " You and Me " debuted at number 37 on the Billboard Pop Songs chart during the week of May 21 , 2005 . It eventually peaked at number four after it spent 26 consecutive weeks on the chart . On the Billboard Radio Songs chart , the track debuted at number 74 during the week of May 21 , 2005 . It proceeded to move around the chart for 26 consecutive weeks , until it eventually peaked at number nine . According to Nielsen SoundScan , " You and Me " was the ninth top selling digital song of 2005 . On May 19 , 2005 , " You and Me " was certified Gold by the RIAA for selling more than 500 @,@ 000 units of the song .

The song also managed to achieve international success . In Australia , the song debuted at number 30 on the ARIA Charts for the week of May 29 , 2005 . That later became its peak after it spent four weeks on the chart . On the New Zealand Singles Chart , " You and Me " debuted at number 39 , which later became its peak after it spent only one week on the chart during the week of October 31 , 2005 .

= = Track listing = =

= = Television appearances = =

On April 20 , 2005 , Lifehouse made an appearance in the Smallville episode " Spirit " and performed " You and Me " among other songs . It also appeared in the The 4400 episode " Life Interrupted " on July 17 , 2005 . Several months later , " You and Me " also made an appearance in the Grey 's Anatomy 's episode " Much Too Much " that premiered on November 27 , 2005 . The song appeared in the Everwood episode " Getting to Know You " on December 8 , 2005 and in the Cold Case episode " One Night " on March 19 , 2006 . On May 13 , 2007 , the song appeared in the pilot episode of Gavin & Stacey .

= = Music video = =

= = = Background = = =

The music video , directed by Bill Yukich , premiered on MTV.com on March 21 , 2005 . It was then released on iTunes for digital download on March 30 , 2005 .

= = = Synopsis = = =

The video starts with a woman exiting the taxi and going to the Los Angeles Union Station . A man exits a car and follows her . Wade then plays the first verse and first chorus in the waiting area of the L. A. Union Station . As the band plays the second verse , they are shown playing at the rooftop with Iron Mountain clearly visible . When the chorus plays again , they are shown at the roof with lights from the buildings of Los Angeles at night . When Wade sings the bridge , he is on the roof of the Roosevelt Hotel in Hollywood Boulevard . The man and the woman are also seen running in the boarding area of the Los Angeles Union Station . They later meet up and kiss in one of the boarding platforms of the station in front of a train which later starts to move . The video ends with the band sitting down in the waiting hall .

= = Credits and personnel = =

Songwriting ? Jason Wade , Jude Cole

Production ? John Alagía

Mixing ? Jeff Juliano

Engineering ? Pete Hanlon , Jeff Juliano , Nathaniel Kunkel

Source : Allmusic

= = Chart performance = =