



“...the Irish equivalent of Emmylou Harris.”  
— WASHINGTON POST

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— NEW YORK TIMES

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Karan Casey has long been one of the most innovative, provocative and imitated voices in Irish traditional and folk music. Throughout her 25 year career, Karan has sold over half a million albums, participated in numerous collaborative projects (with James Taylor, Bela Fleck, Abigail Washburn, Solas, & Tim O'Brien) and performed on landmark stages across the globe, including Nashville's Grand Ole Opry, the Hollywood Bowl, & the Glasgow Royal Concert Hall as well as being a regular guest on Garrison Keillor's "A Prairie Home Companion".

American audiences were introduced to her as vocalist for the Irish "supergroup" Solas, which quickly became the



most celebrated Irish band in the U.S.. Since then, Karan has released 6 solo albums, a duo album (with John Doyle), an album for children, and numerous contributions to other artists' projects. She tours internationally, as a soloist, with her own band, and with many other diverse artists.

Karan is a revered folk traditionalist, having won awards for "Best Folk Album" and "Best Folk Female" from Irish Music Magazine as well as being nominated for the BBC Folk Awards and the Danish Grammys. Karan's sixth solo album, *Two More Hours*, draws on a life-long love of R&B, Jazz and Blues.



The most soulful singer to emerge in Irish traditional music in the past decade.

– THE GLASGOW HERALD

## QUICK FACTS

- Home base: Ireland
- Ticket Prices: \$20-25
- Touring Config: 3-5 musicians
- For Fans of: Emmylou Harris, Solas, Cathie Ryan, Mary Black, Aoife O'Donovan

## CAREER

- "Best Folk Album" (*The Winds Begin to Sing* 2001) – *Irish Music Magazine*
- "Best Folk Female" – *Irish Music Magazine*
- Top 5 Albums of the Year ("Exiles Return" Duo with John Doyle) – *The Irish Echo Newspaper*
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- Founding member of Solas