

Tai Shan Music Bio



www.TaiShanMusic.com

Tai Shan has been described as sounding like John Mayer and Jack Johnson with the voice of Joni Mitchell. She has been called one of "Seattle's finest singer-songwriters and composers." Her clear soprano voice and complex guitar melodies have been featured on nationally released CD's, international videos, local TV and radio stations. She has performed throughout the West Coast at venues such as Seattle's Benaroya Hall and San Francisco's Grace Cathedral. She has composed for jazz ensembles and string quartets. Her songs have been featured on several promotional CD's. In 2005 she was chosen to represent Cornish College of the Arts with her song "Love Will Kill You in Time." It was recorded with internationally known jazz bassist Chuck Deardorf and distributed nationally. Grammy Nominee Jovino Santos-Neto calls her a "Seamstress of Melodies," and Earshot Jazz winner Randy Halberstat states "She will ambush you with her compositions and unique guitar voicing." Tai Shan graduated with honors from Seattle's renowned Cornish College of the Arts.

Tai Shan has been featured on San Francisco Bay Area Television and radio shows including a live 1 hour interview on PBS's *Our Roots are Showing*. In 2008 filmmakers used her environment song "Tiny Planet" for the HBO documentary *The Search for Turtle Island*. Her music has also been featured on more than 100 Hewlett-Packard and Agilent Technology videos, which have been distributed in Southeast Asia and China. She has also appeared before numerous audiences at festivals and clubs on the West Coast and has developed a strong following and fan base.

Tai Shan has just released her new CD *Tiny Planet*. The music is a sensitive, polished, collection of Tai Shan's original songs woven with lush sounds of her rich soprano voice. Her lyrics combine with acoustic guitar, organ, cello, bass and drums to create her bolero, country, and jazz-infused tunes. The lyrical content of the songs range from evolution to alcoholism, with wide sweeping melodies. "Tiny Planet," the title track of the CD, is a song about the sea and its interconnection with the evolution of mankind. Proceeds from the online sales of this song will be donated to Seattle's People for Puget Sound, an environmental, non-profit group dedicated to the restoration of the Puget.

For more information about Tai Shan including audio and video clips go to:
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Recordings:

- *Tiny Planet* CD released 2008
- Composed "Tiny Planet" for upcoming environmental documentary *The Search for Turtle Island* to be featured on HBO 2008
- *Tai Shan and Blue Dawn* CD released 2006
- *The Music of Cornish* CD released 2005—"Love Will Kill You in Time."—featured on the Cornish College of the Arts promotional CD—distributed nationally
- Original song featured on *Birds & Whistles*—a Seattle Artists promotional CD
- Received a recording scholarship for 48 hours with Grateful Dead's recording engineer

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- *Tai Shan* CD released 2003

Achievements:

- Graduated Magna Cum Laude with B.A. in music composition from Cornish College of the Arts
- Recipient of Cornish College of the Arts President's and Kisemhimer Scholarship
- Composed and performed theme music for over 100 Hewlett-Packard and Agilent Technology videos distributed in Southeast Asia and China.

Major Performances 2006-2008

- Seattle Symphony's Benaroya Hall
- Folklife Festival
- Lo-Fi, Seattle
- Egan's Ballard Jam House
- PONCHO Concert Hall, Seattle
- Tula's Night Club, Seattle
- The Rendezvous, Seattle

Other Performances:

- Sonoma State University, CA
- Live 1-hour radio showcase and interview aired on KRCB (Bay Area Radio)
- Democratic Convention, CA
- Martin Luther King Jr. Festival, CA
- Health and Harmony Fair, CA
- Verdi's Requiem Mass Performed for Pope and Italian President Outside the Walls Basilica, Italy

Discography

2008 – *Tiny Planet* CD Released

2006 - *Tai Shan and Blue Dawn* CD released

2005 – *The Music of Cronish*—"Love Will Kill You in Time."

2004 - *Tai Shan Live*, PBS Radio Show

2003 – *Tai Shan* Debut CD released