



**SINGER | PIANIST | SONGWRITER**

# Outi Karhu

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**INQUISITIVE  
FINNISH  
SONGSTRESS**

**LOVER OF  
JAZZ AND  
HARMONY  
SINGING**



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# Biography

Outi Karhu (previously Smith) is a Finnish singer and pianist, born with restless feet and a curious heart that led her to Scotland. This nomadic spirit allows her to remain adventurous in her approach to life as well as music. Constantly examining new viewpoints, she happily hops between styles and genres, enchanting her audiences with jazz flavoured folk musings where stories of feminism, sisterhood and freedom intermingle with fables and fairytales. She invites the listener on a sonic journey, from pine scented woods of her Nordic motherland to the rugged Scottish wild. She is increasingly passionate about improvisation, a practice which has taught her to embrace being in the moment and fully accept her creative vulnerability.

Outi is currently writing and performing with new material for her debut album.

# Debut Single

Released in March 2023, '**Shiver**' is a song inspired by Finnish folklore. A celebration of feminine strength, it tells of the ability and power to go through a metamorphosis in the wake of a personal tragedy.

Shiver was widely praised and gained radio play on BBC Scotland programme 'Travelling Folk' as part of **BBC Introducing**.