

INQUISITIVE FINNISH SONGSTRESS

LOVER OF JAZZ AND HARMONY SINGING



About

Outi Karhu is a Finnish singer and pianist, born with restless feet and a curios heart that led her to Scotland. This nomadic spirit is reflected in her songwriting. 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.

In March 2023 Outi released her debut single 'Shiver', gaining radio play on BBC Scotland's 'Travelling Folk' programme as part of BBC Introducing. Inspired by Finnish folklore, the song is a celebration of the feminine strength and ability to go through a metamorphosis in the wake of a personal tragedy. It was praised for its atmospheric sound scape and intricate storytelling.

Since then, Outi has been writing new material and sharing her songs with audiences around Scotland, from intimate **Sofar Sounds** gigs to slots at **Eden** and **Kelburn** Festivals.

In early 2025 Outi secured funding from **Creative Scotland** and is currently in Starla Studios recording her **debut album** which is due for release later this year.