

## Kara Johnstad

is known as a Voice-Visionary, Singer-Songwriter and Mentor to Voices Changing Our World. She is available for voice events, keynote talks, personal coaching and workshops. As a top voice expert Kara has helped thousands with her "breakthrough" voice techniques to open their voices in a record amount of time, and shares with us the secrets behind this powerful instrument.

**Spreading love, healing and joy, inner peace and beauty through the power of words, music and voice.**



An advocate for change in ways that heighten the human spirit, Kara is founder of Voice Your Essence™, a lifestyle community and home to her over 100 published songs, 5 albums, voice empowerment training programs, podcasts, articles and sheet music. Her published work includes the anthems, Message of Hope, Love Never Fails and Thank You.

American singer-songwriter Kara Johnstad has lived in Berlin, Germany since the 1980's. Kara has an outstanding reputation as a world class performer, recording artist and producer. Her performances on five continents have left fans breathless and the media eager to offer their praise.

### PRESS REVIEWS

***“She is known to take us with her powerful voice and deep musical soulful expression by blending folk, jazz, classical, pop and new age and touches on universal themes that affect us all, such as love, relationships, life, death, sexuality and inner healing so that the heart's cry can be spoken to and released to its natural form and rediscovered for an empowering existence”***

~ Jaijai Jackson, Creator of The Jazz Network Worldwide

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***“I simply LOVE your music!! A superior voice that can melt and touch any heart! Kara’s music is exceptional, and highly sought after by everyone who hears the smooth, beautiful and haunting sounds of perfection. We love her tunes at BBS Radio, so will you!!!***

Doug Newsom, President BBS Radio, Paradise, California

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***“Explosive! What a voice! Kara Johnstad is brilliant... a total range of feelings!”***

~ BILD Germany's largest newspaper

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***“Kara Johnstad places each tone with such feeling... Blue note at its best!”***

~ STERN, Germany's largest magazine

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***“Kara's performance is in a word masterful. Backed by a trio of international musicians, it isn't merely Johnstad's outstanding voice that helps sell the songs that might crumble in the hands of a lesser artist, but her ability for phrasing that is at times other-worldly in its brilliance, as well as unquestionably perfect pitch and definitive command of the stage... This humble writer couldn't possibly express more strongly the importance of seeing Kara Johnstad when next she graces New York with an on-stage appearance. In point of fact, and for lack of a better expression, she will simply blow your mind. Yes, ladies and gentlemen, she is THAT good.”***

~ Andrew Martin - NYC Critic, Nitelife Exchange

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***“The voice of Kara Johnstad is really outstanding It doesn't matter whether she soars into the beyond or whispers like an angel. One understands fully that she must have trained a long time and with success.”***

~ Jazzdimensions Magazine

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***“Simply Perfect Passion, Sexiness and Grace!”***

~ Billboard

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***“Kara Johnstad is The Voice of great warmth and intensity...”***

~ www.magicmusic.de

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***“Johnstad, who has something of a female Leonard Cohen songwriting sensibility with a bit of Renee Fleming mixed in, is a veteran jazz musician who is truly hard to categorize.”***

~ Paul Wolfe, MUSIC INTERVIEW MAGAZINE

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***“Once again, your performance was breathtaking. I closed my eyes and soared with your voice. You reach beyond thoughts, beyond words, to a basic truth and wonder... I believe you are the most beautiful person I have met, certainly one of the strongest and most powerful.”***

~ Jennifer Toth, Journalist LA Times

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***“Kara Johnstad offers everything from jazz ballads to Brazilian samba rhythms, all that a jazz lover's heart desires. Beautiful voice, beautiful woman, beautiful music ...”***

~ TIP, Berlin's major city magazin

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***“Kara Johnstad has left the stylistic boundaries behind her in every genre, and instead carried through what suits her the best: Her ideas!”***

~ ZITTY, Berlin's major city magazine

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***“Kara, you’re as the Sun in this dark time.”***

~ Maurizio Piazza, Producer, composer, Italy

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***“Holy Moly! What a voice! Kara Johnstad sings Soul, Funk, Bossa Nova and Jazz - and all of it BRILLIANTLY! A huge dose of emotion pure!”***

~ BILD Germany's largest newspaper

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***“Kara Johnstad easily transcends the gap between pop and jazz, fusing her own gentle compositions with music styles from the many corners of the world resulting in songs with a personal flair – entertaining but not pretentious, inviting but not simple.”***

Tagesspiegel, Berlin's leading newspaper

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***“Kara, you are such a catalyst! During my most trying times Open up and Receive and Let Go and Trust were my constant companions. The river of song made the tides so much easier to navigate, definitely “boat songs” for me, carrying me through what I was going through feeling lifted and safe and touched when I was alone. Love you!”***

~ Victoria Willoughby, Reverend and Healer, NY, USA

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***“Your voice, Kara, is like gold!”***

~ Nabeel Issa, Recording artist and poet, Syria

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***“The New Yorker Kara shines with a clear, expressive voice...”***

~ AUDIO – Record of the Month

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***“Rich with emotion & very captivating in vibe. Kara Johnstad is a true translator of songs from the heart with masterful delivery.”***

~ Women of Substance Radio, USA

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***“Singer-Songwriter Kara Johnstad creates a wonderfully silky blend of jazz, folk, and soul. Her “exceptionally outstanding voice” has all the colors of the rainbow.”***

~ Jazzdimensions Magazine

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**Kara Johnstad is available for keynote concerts, private coaching sessions in person and online, workshops and for interviews focused on the profound influence our voice has in changing our personal life and world for the better.**

When Kara doesn't showcase one of her solo concerts, her band consists of world class musicians; percussionist Rhani Krija (Sting), cellist Stephan Braun (Melody Gardot) and renowned German pianist and musical director Rolf Zielke.

Kara Johnstad's team revolves around Craig Urquhart (New York City), the former personal assistant to Leonard Bernstein, Vice President of the Leonard Bernstein Organization, Fabrizio Pigliucci (Rome) one of the foremost Italian film composers, arrangers and orchestrators, Laura Lungu (Rome), the executive director of the Concertissimo Orchestra, and the amazing sound engineer Fabio Ferri (Rome).

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