

Mp3 Jennifer Clarke ~ Prairie Celt - World: Celtic



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A great voice, superb backing musicians - Traditional Celtic story songs with eclectic arrangements - from a cappella to funky Latin American grooves 12 MP3 Songs WORLD: Celtic, FOLK: Traditional Folk Details: THE VOICE The words 'mesmerizing' and 'amazing' are just some of comments you hear from critics and audience alike when this Prairie Celtic folk singer takes the stage. Jennifer Clarke is one of the most engaging acts on the Celtic scene, whether performing solo or with her band, 'Wild Mountain Thyme'. She's especially known for her ability to enchant with only a single instrument: her unforgettable voice. A second-generation Scottish-Canadian, Jennifer's connection to her heritage has given her an intuitive sense for traditional Celtic music. To this she adds the flavours of more modern folk instrumentation and contemporary world beat rhythms, relying on her unerring sense of what's needed to bring out the story behind the song. The end result is a sound, rich in texture and variety. IN CONCERT Jennifer's flexible performance style makes her a natural for everything from intimate house concert or coffeehouse to the main stages of Celtic and folk festivals. She has shared stages with the likes of Shooglenifty, Buddy McMaster, Vance Gilbert and Scottish Storytellers Margaret Tollick and Judy Paterson. Her soulful laments, whimsical humour, relaxed stage presence and gift for storytelling combine to make Jennifer's concerts 'must see' events. PERFORMANCE HIGHLIGHTS An Lanntair Arts Centre, Stornoway Scotland 2004 Dalguise Folk Club, Scotland 2004 Live CBC House Concert, Winnipeg 2004 The Back Room, Grand Bend Kansas 2005 Jericho Folk Club, Vancouver 2004 Pondside House Concert, Victoria 2004 Lyric Theatre, Winnipeg 2003 2004 Celtic Christmas, Winnipeg 2002 Aberdour Festival, Scotland 2002 Elkton (Oregon) Butterfly Pavilion 2002 McPherson (Kansas) Scottish Festival 2001 The Winnipeg Folk Festival, 1999 2000 West End Cultural Centre Winnipeg, 1997-2003 RECORDINGS The fall of 2004 will see the release of Jennifer's third full length album, "Jennifer Clarke Prairie Celt". Like her

2001 release, "The Great Silkie - Tales of the Celts", the new recording features great 'story songs' with arrangements that vary from a cappella to full band and world rhythms, all designed to enhance the story.

WORKSHOPS In addition to performing the Celtic repertoire, Jennifer delivers workshops that give a hands-on taste of the history, language, music and dance of the Celtic people. Her dynamic and interactive facilitation style has engaged and entertained participants at Celtic festivals and in schools and colleges, in Canada and the U.S.

MEDIA HIGHLIGHTS CBC Manitoba will be recording Jennifer live in concert at a CD release House Concert in Winnipeg in November 2004. Jennifer has been featured several times by CBC Manitoba including two full length interviews which aired on 'Arts Encounters', 'Culture Shock' and 'The Weekend Morning Show'. Each of her recordings have received airplay on local, regional and national radio, in Scotland on Isles FM and the BBC and in the U.S. Her previous recording, 'Wild Mountain Thyme' was recorded live by the CBC in 1998.

THE EXPERIENCE Captivating her listeners, drawing them into the stories she sings, giving them the feeling that they're sharing the warmth of the moment by her fireside: these are Jennifer's strengths. Young or old, it's impossible to resist as she spins tales of the human spirit.

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