

## Mp3 Stark Ravens - Stage & Street



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The 3rd CD from the StarkRavens takes the orchestral, wall of sound, idea from our "Alice" CD, applies it back to our roots in Celtic folk music. The CD includes many classic favorites, as well as amazing new music in the Celtic tradition. 13 MP3 Songs WORLD: Celtic, FOLK: Power-folk Details: The third CD from the Stark Ravens Historical Players takes the orchestral, "wall of sound" concept that they used with their Alice's Adventures in Wonderland CD, and applies it back to their musical roots in Celtic folk music. On a single track, you might hear 4 mandolins, octave mandolin, 6 12 string guitars, fiddle, banjo, upright bass, flute, pennywhistle, recorder, accordion, melodion, tom, bodhran, snare drums, tambourine, spoons, shakers and over a dozen voices. The sound is HUGE, rich, complex layered. Stage Street has traditional English, Irish Scottish songs as well as original music written in a Celtic folk style with a little dash of rock roll or island groove thrown in here there. Dido Bendigo, The Jolly Beggarman, Old Maid in the Garrett, Spanish Lady, Brewer Laddie, Pills of White Mercury, She Moves Through the Fair, Twa Recruiting Sergeants are all traditional tunes from England, Ireland Scotland. The Cuckoo's Call, White Red, Ride Him Well, Turning of the Year are all original songs from the Stark Ravens' production of William Shakespeare's comedy of love infidelity, Love's Labours Lost. The lyrics of White Red were written by William Shakespeare. The other songs were inspired by his play. Agincourt is an original rocker from Mark Donnelly of Lee Press-on the Nails fame. It's inspired by William Shakespeare's rousing St. Crispin's Day speech from Henry V. Credits: Vocals: Christopher David Barnes, Laura Brueckner, Mark Donnelly, Tisha Donnelly, Margit Elland, Jeremy Hou, Carol McCollum, Terry Mulrooney, Brian Patterson, Andrew Pettit, Bryn Tucker, Chase Williams, and Heidi Wohlwend Musicians: Christopher David Barnes - Mandolin Laura Brueckner - Flute, Pennywhistle Mark Donnelly - Mandolins, Banjo, Percussion Paul Donnelly - Bodhran Aaron Hendel - Upright Bass Brian Patterson - Drums Ben Seeman - Accordion Bryn

Tucker - Mandolins, Banjo, Guitars Steve Tucker - Guitars, Percussion Megan Tucker - Pennywhistle, Recorders Chase Williams - Tambourine Heidi Wohlwend - Melodion, Turkish Spoons Laura Valentine - Violin All songs arranged by Mark Donnelly. Cuckoo's Call - Donnelly/Brueckner White Red - Donnelly/Shakespeare Ride Him Well - Donnelly/Brueckner Turning of the Year - Donnelly/Brueckner Agincourt - Donnelly All other songs traditional Recorded at The Ravenry, Fairfax, CA Engineered by Mark Donnelly Bryn Tucker Mixed by Kent Matchke Jacket Design by Mud 'n Yer Eye Graphics, Oakland, CA Copyright 2002 Stark Ravens Historical Players Special thanks (and a big kiss) to: Hard Times (We learned Dido Bendigo from their excellent CD.) The Sea Dogs of St. Dymphna (These awesome performers let us use some of their musicians.) Margit Elland (Super heroine extraordinaire, she adds the power soprano to our vocal ensemble.) Laura Valentine (A prodigy on the violin, we want to kidnap her forever! Thanks Traveler's Union!) Reyes Photography (Many of the pictures on our CD cover were used with their permission.) Lee Press-on (computer techno wizard all around great guy) And lastly... to all the great folks who make it worth our while to endure all the dust and dirt of a Renaissance Faire. The happy faces out in our audiences are why we do this crazy thing. THANK YOU!!! Stark Ravens is a theatrical project founded in 2000 with the mission to spread joy by performing distilled classics with a musical twist. Our first show, Twelfth Night, was warmly received by the smaller Renaissance events in California, and we toured with it for two years. We also just finished our third final year of our wildly popular Victorian era show, Alice's Adventures in Wonderland, which won numerous awards at both the Great Dickens Christmas Fair, and Pickwick Comic Annual, and at the San Francisco Fringe Festival in 2001. 2002 brought us into production on Love's Labours Lost, whose songs are on this CD. These are some of the events where we've performed: The Northwoods Renaissance Festival, Redding, CA The Shasta Highlands Celtic Festival, Anderson, CA The Valhalla Renaissance Festival, South Lake Tahoe, CA The Fair Oaks Fair, Fair Oaks, CA The Heart of the Forest Renaissance Faire, Novato, CA The Central Coast Renaissance Festival, San Louis Obispo, CA Young's Grove Revels, Turlock, CA The San Francisco Fringe Festival, San Francisco, CA The Folsom Renaissance Festival, Folsom, CA The Great Dickens Christmas Fair Pickwick Comic Annual, San Francisco, CA If you enjoy this CD, please check out our soundtracks to 12th Night, Alice's Adventures in Wonderland CDs, and check out our website for our performance schedule, and COME SEE US LIVE! J Love's Labours Lost: The cast: Ferdinand: Brian Patterson Biron: Christopher David Barnes Longaville: Chase Williams Mercade: Terry Mulrooney Don

Adriano De Armado: Andrew Pettit Costard: Mark Donnelly The Princess of France: Carol McCollum  
Rosaline: Heidi Wohlwend Katherine: Tisha Donnelly Jacquenetta: Liana Day-Williams Second season  
saviors: Longaville: George Chlentos Costard: Chris Calahan The Princess of France: Tisha Donnelly  
Katherine: Holly Calahan Jacquenetta: Julie Antti The band: Octave Mandolin: Bryn Tucker Upright Bass:  
Aaron Hendel Bodhran: Chris Calahan Recorder: Megan Tucker Foley: Megan Tucker

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