

Kristi Stassinopoulou

PORTRAIT

Singer, lyricist and fiction writer Kristi Stassinopoulou, a native Athenian, active on Greece's alternative music scene for many years, has generated a wide appeal in the international world music circuit.

Accompanied by her long time collaborator composer, arranger, co-producer and multi-instrumentalist -with an all-round grasp of diverse styles- Stathis Kalyviotis, they have made 6 albums of international appeal: *NYN*, *Greekadelia*, *Taxidoscopio*, *The Secrets of the Rocks*, *Echotropia* and *Ifantokosmos*.

The successful blend of traditional greek rhythms and sound colours, haunting Byzantine vocal lines, rembetika music, psychedelic rock, ambience and electronica, combined with Kristi's vivid scenic appearance and personality, sparked great response and led to frequent appearances in music festivals and clubs mostly in Europe, N. America and Brazil. (21 Montreal International Jazz Festival, Winnipeg Folk festival, NY Summer Stage, Kennedy Centre, Womex 2002 Germany, Berlin Poetry Festival, Berlin Art Academy, Europe in Union, Union Chappel, London UK, Barbican London UK, Fira Manresa, Spain, Forum Barcelona 2004, Spain, 7 Soi 7 Luas, Portugal, Mostra de Artes Mediterraneo, Brazil and many more)

Her albums and her performances have been gathering enthusiastic reviews all around the globe (fRoots, UK, Songlines, UK, Guardian, UK, Independent, UK, Time Out, UK, New York Herald Tribune, USA, Global Village, Jazz Times, El Pais, Spain, Billboard, USA, La Presse, Canada)

Kristi is also a writer and a narrator. Her two published books are: *Seven Times In Amorgos* (Kastaniotis editions 1993) with seven short mystery stories set on the cycladic island of Amorgos and *The Fiery Sword* (Livanis editions 1995), set in Athens in the early 90s.

DISCOGRAPHY

NYN

No 1 in the Transglobal World Music Charts October 2016 No 2, in the World Music Charts Europe, November 2016

Greekadelia

No1 World Music Charts Europe, Aug & Sept 2012

Taxidoscopio

No3 WMCE, March & April 2007

The Secrets of the Rocks

No1 WMCE, Jan 20030

Echotropia

No 6 WMCE, May 2000

Ifantokosmos

EARLY YEARS & COLLABORATIONS

1978: Was chosen and played the role of Mary Magdalene in the Greek production of the Rock Opera “Jesus Christ Superstar” in Athens

1981: Participated in the legendary song contest, *Agones Tragoudiou Kerkyras*, organized by the most respected, famous Greek composer *Manos Chadjidakis* in the island of Corfu, Greece.

1983: Represented Greece in the Eurovision song contest in Munich, interpreting the song of Antonis Plessas (music) & Sofia Fildisi (lyrics), “Mou Less”.

1983: Played the role of Peron’s young mistress in the rock opera of Tim Rice and Andrew Lloyd Webber, “Evita”, produced in Athens by the late Aliki Vougiouklaki, who was playing the main role of Evita Peron.

1983 - 1988 Collaborated in clubs, concerts and tours in Greece together with composers and bands: Lakis Papadopoulos (Lakis-me-ta-psila-Rever), Demos Moutsis, Nikos Portokaloglou-Fatme, George Pilali, Stavros Papastavrou and the late Pavlos Sidiropoulos.

EARLY STUDIES

Classical singing and opera, with the Greek opera singer late Nafsika Voutira Galanou

Classical ballet, in the Yannis Metsis Ballet School, Athens

Acting and drama in the schools of Teatro Tehnis, Karolos Koun, Athens and in the school of Petros Katselis, Athens

Arts and Sciences, in the Deere College Athens

MUSIC FESTIVALS

EUROPE

Europe in Union, Union Chappel, London, U.K. (October 2003)

Barbican Theater, Greece in Britain, London, U.K. (May 2001)
Poesie Festival, Berlin Art Academy, Berlin Germany (June 2017)
 Womex 2002, Essen, Germany (October 2002)
 Radio Bremen, Women in (e)motion, Bremen, Germany (November 2004)
 Kemnade International, Orient Inside, Bochum, Germany (June 2001)
 Muschelsalat, Hagen, Germany (August 2003)
 Sommer Festival Der Kulturen, Stuttgart, Germany (July 2004)
 Stadtpark Festival, Mannheim, Germany (July 2004)
 Odyssee-Kulturen der Welt (guests of the Schal Sick Brass Band)
 cities : Muhlheim / Recklinghausen / Bochum, Germany
 Kultursommer Festival, Hamm, NRW. Germany (August 2005)
 Kultursommer Festival, Herford, NRW, Germany (August 2005)
 Kultursommer Festival, Detmold, NRW, Germany (August 2005)
 Micro!Festival, Dortmund, Germany (August 2007)
 Musik fest Waidhofen, Austria (July 2017)
 United Islands Festival 2004, Prague, Czech Republic (May 2004)
 Ethnoabient 2004, Salona, Split, Croatia (August 2004)
 Ethnoabient 2008, Salona, Split, Croatia (July 2008)
 Cultural Divercity Festival 2010, Zagreb, Croatia
 Ethnoabient 2014, Salona, Split, Croatia (July 2014)
 Nowe brzmienia znad Renu Festival, Goethe Instiitut Warshau, Poland
 (guests of the Schal Sick Brass Band) (May 2005)
Mostra Viva del Mediterrani, Palau De Musica, Valencia, Spain, Oct 2017
 MUVIM Festival Valencia, Spain, July 2015
 Fira Manresa, Catalonia, Spain (November 2006)
 Forum 2004, Barcelona, Catalonia, Spain (September 2004)
 Alamar Festival, Almeria, Andalusia, Spain (June 2004)
 Arreus 2004, Reus, Catalonia, Spain (September 2004)
 Festival Interceltico de Oreyo, Cantabria, Spain (September 2001)
 Castanieda Festival, Cantabria, Spain (July 2003)
 Folk y Raices, Santa Cruz de Tenerife, Spain (February 2001)
 FIMPT, Barcelona, Spain (July 2007)
 Festival Paupeterres, Leida, Spain (July 2007)
 Fiestas de la Garriga, Barcelona, Spain (July 2007)
 Festival Croma, Spain (July 2007)
 Mercat de Vic, Vic, Catalonia, Spain (September 2007)
7 Sois 7 Luas Festival, Portugal 2018
Cultural Responsible «leaders» of the «Estrellas 2018 SeteSoisSete Luas band »
 7 Sos 7 Luas Festival, Lisbon, Portugal (September 2010)
 Festival les Escales, Nantes, France (August 2007)
 Escales d' Ailleurs, Chateau de Plaisir, Paris, France (June 2009)
 Ghana Festival 2012, Valeta, Malta (June 2012)
 Cosmos, A Sea of Art, 11th Biennale, Athens, Greece (September 2003)
 Festival Vrachon, Teatro Melina Mercuri, Vironas, Athens (July 2005)
 Politismos Endos, Eleysina, Greece (July 2007)
 Technopolis Festival, Athens, Greece (September 2013)

NORTH AMERICA

Central Park , Summer Stage, New York, USA (July 2002)
Kennedy Center, Millenium Stage, Washington D.C. USA (July 2002)
21st Montreal International Jazz Festival, Quebec, Canada (July 2000)
Winnipeg Folk Festival, Winnipeg, Canada (July 2002)
Sunfest , London, Ontario, Canada (July 2002)

SOUTH AMERICA

Mostra de Artes Mediterraneo SESC, Sao Paulo, Brazil (August 2005)
Mostra de Artes Mediterraneo SESC, Roteiro Verde 2005,
Roteiro Verde cities:
Piracicaba / Botucatu / Sta. Barbara D' Oeste / Rio Claro / Limeira /
Matao / Rincao / Ibitinca / Araraquara / Jau /
Americana / Jundiai / Itapira / Campinas / Atibaia
Sao Paulo state, Brazil (August /September 2005)

ASIA

1st International Avantgarde Folk Music Festival, Yerevan, Armenia (April
2005)
Voices from the World Live, Tel Aviv, Israel (September 1998)
Women Sing the World, Tel Aviv , Israel (September 1998)

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