
katja šulc



vocalist, musician, composer

I am a research-based artist from Slovenia working at the intersection of poetry, contemporary folk, traditional heritage and storytelling. After studying at the New School in New York (Jazz & Contemporary Music) I continued my studies in vocal performance research, mainly at Roy Hart Voice Center. My artistic practice is marked by eclectic, experimental approach interweaving overlooked poetry, field recordings, folk stories, disappearing languages and cultures, multi-layered harmonies, improvisation and sound manipulation.

I released five studio albums and co-created theatre performances, audio-visual installations and storytelling projects. I am a recipient of various grants and titles, including Ville de Paris/Institute Français Laureate (2014-2015) and CEC ArtsLink Fellow (2020-2022). I participated at several artist residencies in the region and abroad, my recent album *West Wind Blow From Your Prairie Nest* (2024) was created during the artist residency at the Institute of American Indian Arts (IAIA) in New Mexico, upon its release it reached World Music Chart Europe Top 20 and was nominated for Preis der deutschen Schallplattenkritik.



In my artistic practice I intertwine poetry, folk stories, traditional heritage, environmental wisdom, the language of nature, and strive to build bridges between traditional and contemporary worlds.

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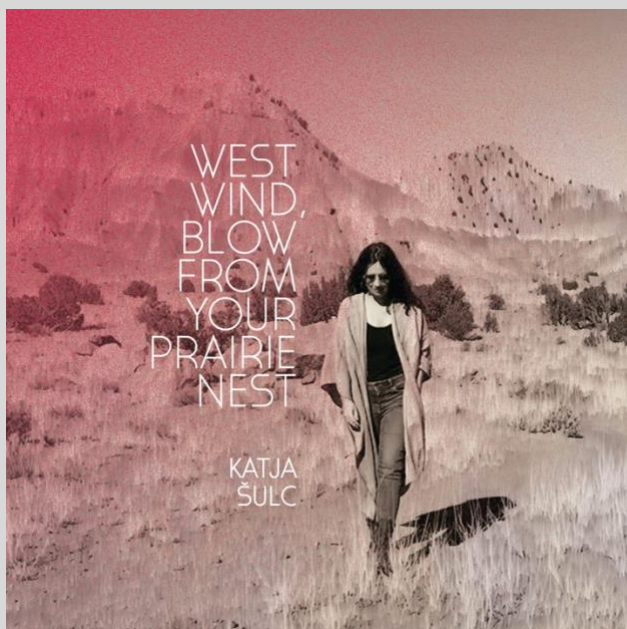
<https://katjasmusic.bandcamp.com/>

video

[female rain I official video](#)

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‘West Wind Blow From Your Prairie Nest’ (ŠKUC, 2024) is an album paying homage to Native American poetry and culture, through original compositions to poems written by renowned indigenous poets and adaptations of indigenous songs, featuring collaborations with contemporary Native artists. The album was created during the artist residency at the Institute of American Indian Arts (IAIA) in New Mexico, under mentorship of prof. Sheila A. Rocha (Pure'pecha), with the support of CEC ArtsLink.

‘Magical sonic and verbal atmosphere.’
RADIO ŠTUDENT

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'Caricias' (2016, Casete México) is celebrating Mexico and its culture while re-imagining its contemporary, folk and indigenous poetry. After spending a major part of the last decade in the country, Katja Šulc transformed the experience into a mesmerizing, intimate sound travelogue.

‘Fascinating, not fitting into any neat genres or boxes. This is fieldwork, turned into contemporary, experimental folk song.’ SONGLINES

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‘Kamlisajlan’ (2016, Casete México) pays homage to Rromani culture, featuring original compositions to contemporary Rromani poetry from Balkans and Eastern Europe. Performed in Rromani and written by known and unknown Rromani poets, the poems reflect upon history, tradition, values and beliefs of Rroma people. The album was created under supervision of acclaimed Rromani activist prof. Marcel Courthiade.

‘Wonderful music from Slovenia, I suggest you lose yourself in melancholy.’ BBC World 3

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Twisted Delight (2013, Celinka)



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Mila (2008, Sanje)

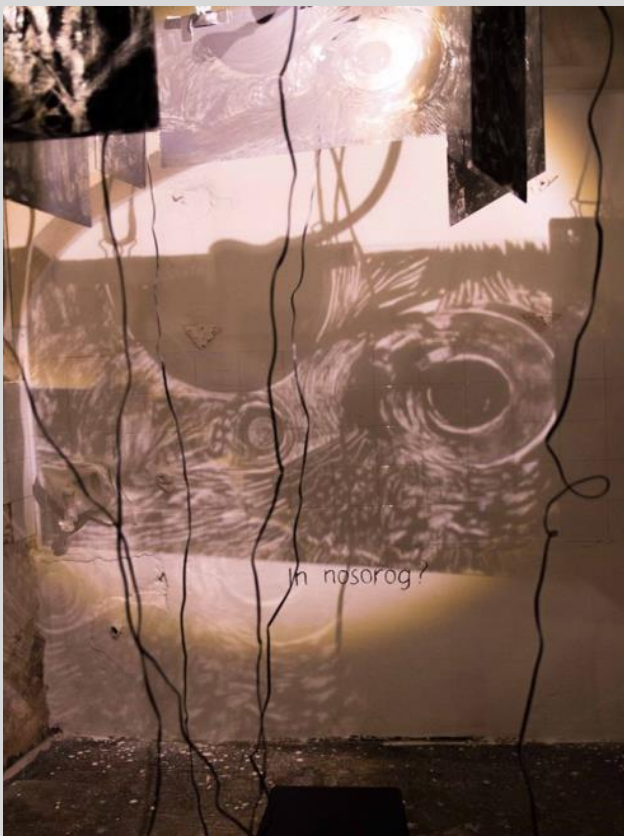


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sound-visual installations

2022 *Senca, ki poljublja / The kissing shadow*
(with Maruša Štibelj, KAOS Festival, Kranj)



sound-visual installations

2018 *Beli (k)rog / White circle*
(with magmalaska, 48th week of Slovenian drama)

original albums

2024 *West Wind Blow From Your Prairie Nest* (ŠKUC)

2021 *Caricias* (Casete México)

2016 *Kamlisajlan* (Casete México)

2013 *Twisted Delight* (Celinka)

2008 *Mila* (Sanje)

sound-visual installations

2022 *Senca, ki poljublja / The kissing shadow* - with Maruša Štibelj (KAOS festival, Kranj), SI

2018 *Beli (k)rog / White circle* - with magmalaska (48th Week of Slovenian Drama, Kranj), SI

film soundtracks

2024 *Odrešitev za začetnike / Family therapy*
(song *Na poti domov*)

2024 *Stari les, nove kitare / Old wood, new guitars*
(song *Caricias*)

2013 *Kamor zapiha veter / Where the wind blows*
(song *De colores*)

2005 *Norega se metek ogne / Bullets avoid the fool*
(song *Trenule masina mica*)

performances

2025 *Untangling a garden III*, storytelling performance

G02025/Glej Theatre, Park Rafut, SI

2018 *Deblas*, dance-music performance

Kino Šiška, Ljubljana, SI

2018 *Lorca, you and I*, dance-music performance

Pocket Teater, Ljubljana, SI

2012 *V vsem me najdeš / You find me in everything*,
theatre performance, SNG Drama, Ljubljana, SI

2004 *The City of Silence*, immersive theatre
performance, Sensorium, Ljubljana, SI

prizes / nominations / grants

2025 Slovenian Book Agency (JAK) grant

2024 Ministry of Culture RS annual grant

2024 Preis der deutschen Schallplattenkritik

2023 Culture Moves Europe travel grant

2023 Slovenian Book Agency (JAK) project grant

2020-2023 CEC ArtsLink Fellowship

2022 Ministry of Culture of Slovenia grant

2021 Slovenian Book Agency (JAK) project grant

2018-2019 Ministry of Culture of Slovenia grant

2017 STEP grant

2015 Ville de Paris grant

2014 Ville de Paris / Institut français laureate

2013 MTV Adria Music Awards nomination

2011 Slovenian chanson festival winner

artist residencies

2026 Cascia Welcomes Peace, Cascia, IT

2025 Ministry of Culture RS, Berlin, DE

2025/2022 Alojz Kocjančič House, Kubed, SI

2021 Institute of American Indian Arts (IAIA), US

2020 Ministry of Culture RS, New York, US

2019 Agrado Art House, Oaxaca, MX

2018 Centro Flamenco la Merced, Cádiz / Espacio

Silvestre, La Muela Vejer, ES

2018 Week of Slovenian Drama residency, Kranj, SI

2017 Dvocikel residency, Layer house, Kranj, SI

2016 Oficina de Arte residency, Mexico city, MX

2016/2015 Cité Internationale des Arts, Paris, FR

2014 Centre les Récollets, Paris, FR

2014 Pedra Sina, Madeira, PT

creative work experience

2004 till present freelance artist supported by the
Ministry of Culture of RS

2025 Centro de las Artes de Guanajuato, Salamanca,
MX / workshop

2022 SESC, São Paulo, BR / master class

2022 Krušče Creative Center, SI / workshop

2021 IAIA, New Mexico, US / workshop

2015-2002 literary talk-show *Knjiga mene briga* -
The book is my concern (TV SLO) / author, host

2009-2007 Atelje 2050, Ljubljana, SI / vocal coach

2007-1998 literary translator, publicist, journalist, SI

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