

## anne schaefer biography

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**“...the best singer/songwriter you’ve never heard of...stunning debut album...simply sultry vocals ... reminiscent of both Rickie Lee Jones and Sade.”**

- John Threlfall  
*Monday Magazine*



**“... (Anne) is a great musician with a clear love for jazz and world music...the press release says *The Birth of a New Star* - You better believe it, in fact it is an understatement.”**

- Andre Rheume, *Espace Musique, Radio Canada*

Winner of **Vocalist of the Year** at the 2004 Island Music Awards, **Songwriter of the Year** and **Artist of the Year** at the 2005 IMA, and **Favorite Jazz Artist** at the 2006 M Awards, singer/songwriter **Anne Schaefer** has attracted national and international attention with the 2005 Canadian release of her debut album, ***Twelve Easy Pieces*** (Roadhouse Records/SRI).

Generously funded by the **Canada Council for the Arts** and masterfully co-produced by Schaefer and rising star producer **Joby Baker**, ***Twelve Easy Pieces*** showcases the originality of Schaefer’s genre-blurring compositions and the excellence of her vocal and instrumental musicianship. Also evident on the album is Schaefer’s unique, intelligent and edgy songwriting style. On ***Twelve Easy Pieces***, Schaefer collaborates with a host of dynamic musicians, including **Hugh Fraser, Daniel Lapp, Scott White** and **Douglas Schmidt**.

Schaefer’s musical diversity places her comfortably in venues from intimate cafés and theatres, to festival main stages and concert halls. This flexibility has allowed her to share the stage with artists ranging from Canadian songstress **Mae Moore**, to jazz drumming legend **Roy Haynes**. Schaefer is also a sought after session musician and has recorded as a guest artist on such albums as, ***Agua Del Pozo/Alex Cuba***, ***Back to Francois/Rachelle van Zanten***, ***Sacred Lines/Paul O’Brien***, and many more.

Anne is currently presenting her pre-production concert series leading up to her May 2008 follow-up CD recording for a fall 2008 Canadian release and tour. She is based in Victoria, B.C. on Canada’s west coast.

**“...this is a stunning debut...an exceptional voice, a poet’s eye, a courageous heart, and a damn fine set of guitar-picking fingers...”**

- Greg Quill, *Toronto Star*

**“Anne Schaefer has hit the bull’s eye on her first opus...she breaths talent, rigor and taste...we can say that Anne Schaefer is already a first class musician.”**

- Alain Brunet, *La Presse*

For bookings and information contact Anne.