

Jack Harris (guitar)



In 2005, aged 19, Jack Harris was the youngest winner of the prestigious New Folk Competition at the Kerrville Folk Festival, Texas, joining an elite band of previous winners that includes Nancy Griffith, Lyle Lovett, Gillian Welch and Devon Sproule. He was also featured as a showcase artist at the South by South-West Festival, Austin, Texas, and at the Green Man Festival in the UK.

Singer/ song-writer Harris has shared the stage with some of the most important names in folk music, including Martin Carthy and Dick

Gaughan, Kate Campbell, Eliza Gilkyson and Eric Taylor. He performs regularly around the UK and Ireland, bringing literate story-telling and lyrical delivery to many appreciative audiences, and has played extensively in the United States. Recently he completed a tour of Northern Italy and Switzerland.

Steeped in myth and mystery his songs bring the narrative tradition of folk and blues music into the here and now. His debut album, *Broken Yellow*, received great acclaim in song-writing circles.

Influenced by the old country blues masters and folk singers of the British Isles, his performances are a riveting display of soulful, smoky vocals and intricate, finger-style guitar playing.

'Jack Harris' mastery of the guitar and his passionate singing frame the delivery of some of the loveliest language in contemporary song.Mr. Harris is a born poet, and it would be a mistake to say he is destined for greatness. He is already there.'

- Andrew Calhoun of *Waterbug Records*

'Gave me goosebumps' - Eric Taylor

'Great songs, wonderful guitar playing' - Kate Campbell

Tickets: £5, concession £4, students and those receiving benefits £2

For further information or to book please phone - **028 7032 4449**.

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