



# Stark Raven

*Music from the Celtic Lands*

"Whether performing the band's own original compositions or their unique arrangements of traditional material, Stark Raven's five part vocal harmonies and diverse instrumentation takes Celtic Music on a new and exciting journey."  
-*Dublin Irish Festival*

## bio

### the band

#### Beckie Boger

Flute, Guitar, Percussion, Whistle, Vocal

#### Craig Markley

Whistles, Piano, Accordions, Synth, Percussion, Vocal

#### Sue Mogan-Mattison

Vocal, Guitar, Piano, Synth, Percussion, Whistle

#### Sid Omasta

Fiddle, Mandolin, Acoustic Bass, Guitar, Vocal

#### David Reddick

Guitar, Bouzouki, Whistle, Percussion, Vocal

**A**fter having been avid fans of Celtic music for several years, Craig Markley and David Reddick founded Stark Raven in the summer of 1993 as a refreshing alternative to the various styles of rock, blues, and jazz music that they had performed previously. They eventually connected with Sid Omasta, a jazz bassist who was searching for an outlet to pursue his fiddling and mandolin interests. Several

months later, Beckie Boger joined the trio lending her flute, guitar, and vocal talents. In 1995, the band com-



pleted its present lineup with Sue Mogan-Mattison, who contributes yet another color to the band's vocal and

instrumental arrangements with her extensive background in Celtic vocal and dance. It is the diversity of these musical backgrounds that lends to Stark Raven's unique sound. The band's original arrangements are completely unique and, while a traditional sound is favored, elements of jazz, folk, and world music are often blended with the band's five-part vocal harmonies and soaring instrumentals.

### The Critics Say:

"The production and quality of sound are top class too and this band could perform anywhere in the world and bring credit to Celtic traditions." -*Tradnet*

"The tunes have an intricacy and beauty rarely achieved, and it is clear that the band puts all its soul into its music." -*Reed & Chanter*



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