

TK BIOGRAPHY

From the wild and misty Oregon coast speaks a powerful voice for the mystical guitar tradition, with roots extending back through the innovative works of Fahey, Kottke & Hedges. Tony Kaltenberg has been one of the most distinctive sounding **acoustic guitarists** and composers on the circuit. His **mesmerizing percussive style** has been highlighted on radio and television programs as well as performances worldwide, such as the Northwest Folklife Festival in Seattle, The Oregon Country Fair, the Dresden Guitar Festival, WDR radio and television, and intimate venues in the U.S. and Europe. He has and continues to collaborate with a number of musicians on both shores including: **Michael Manring, Jarrod Kaplan, Joe Craven, Laura Kemp, Alex Kelly, Carsten Hormes, Andy Lindner, Tina Werzinger, Wolfgang Stute, Matthias Philipzen, Thomas Philipzen and Matthias Brodowy**. The sounds he coaxes from the guitar range from sweet, warm finger-styles, to deep, percussive string slaps, from long mystical threads, to rhythmic explosions; and if that's not enough, he also teases us with some velvety tenor vocals for a variety packed concert. "I love watching him play. He gets his whole body into it. He can come back anytime and share his wonderful gift." - *Sherylin Rawlins, 'Breitenbush Retreat Center'*.

DISCOGRAPHY & Other Noteworthy Works:

2000 - "Spiral Waves", an exciting collection of solo guitar sounds, from sweet, warm finger-styles, to deep, percussive string slaps.

2004 - "On the Wing of the Great Spaceship", is an exploratory work, blending TK's guitar enchantment with other instruments, featuring the amazing **Michael Manring** on fretless bass (original *Windham Hill* artist) and the gifted **Alex Kelly** on cello.

2004 - Produced and collaborated on "**Fish Of Love**" CD by **Jellymoon**, a regional acoustic rock band featuring original music.

2004 - Co-produced & recorded album "**May**" by **Laura Kemp**. There is an acoustic bluegrass feel to this album, featuring **Steve Smith** on mandolin, **Sally VanMeter** on dobro, **Roy Brewer** on fiddle, and more.

2010 - Soundtrack for "**The Quantum Activist**", a wonderful documentary film on science and spirituality, featuring **Dr. Amit Goswami**, which has received international acclaim and film festival awards.

2017 - Live CD, "**Acoustic Energy**", in collaboration with Carsten Hormes and Wolfgang Stute as *the Acoustic Guitar Night Trio*.

2021 - "**Thread of Joy**", with *the Acoustic Groove Experience Trio*, featuring **Michael Manring** on bass, **Jarrold Kaplan** (Trillian Green, Hanuman ...) on percussion, and **TK** on guitars. Guests include **Joe Craven** (David Grisman Quintet, Jerry Garcia, Allison Brown ...) on violin and mandolin, and **Christine Gunne** on cello.

2022 - "**Kiss the Sky**", a recording of original vocal tunes featuring TK (guitar and vocals), **Carsten Hormes** (bass), **Andy Lindner** (drums), **Tina Werzinger** (backing vocals), **Jack McGaughey** (keys), **Joe Craven** (fiddle and Mandolin), and **Sinje Schnittker** (horns).