



RHONDA LARSON

BIOGRAPHY

Rhonda Larson is a Grammy Award-winning player of the flute, born and raised in the mountains of Montana. Growing up in the wild-west Big Sky Country helped form Rhonda into a free-spirited, nature-loving, trail blazing artist.

She entered the national music scene by winning first prize in the National Flute Association's Young Artist Competition at the age of 22, including a Carnegie Hall debut. Shortly thereafter, Rhonda was invited to join forces with the Paul Winter Consort, culminating six years later in winning a Grammy Award. Rhonda then began a path of her own by writing her own music, and creating her band, *Ventus*. Her music blends the most soulful elements of folk, classical, medieval, and world music, performed on her gold flute and an array of ethnic flutes from around the world.

Rhonda's music creates a captivating sonic tapestry that is both mesmerizing and soul-stirring. Her compositions are influenced by diverse cultures, traditions, and eras, resulting in music that is at once familiar and exotic.

Ms. Larson performs world-wide and teaches masterclasses at universities and flute organizations. As a recording artist, Rhonda has a discography of over 20 commercial recordings, including three solo recordings with her band, *Ventus*: 'Free as a Bird', 'Distant Mirrors', and the most recent release, 'Live from China', recorded on a twenty-five-city tour throughout China. Rhonda performed on a live CBS finale episode of 'Survivor' from Madison Square Garden's, seen by over 40 million viewers. In 2018 she won the Downbeat "Rising Star" poll for the Flute.

Rhonda and her husband Lee live in Connecticut, and part-time at their home in the medieval village of Roccantica, Italy. When not playing the flute, Rhonda can be found out-doors.