

# **KAYAH**

singer, composer, songwriter, co-owner of the Kayax record label - one of the most popular artists in Poland.

Since the release of her debut album "Kamień" ("The Stone") in 1995, she has recorded 9 equally successful albums, some of which were also released abroad. As a solo artist, Kayah has won many important awards, including "Best Singer", "Best Pop Record", "Best Composer", "Hit Single of the Year", "Personality of the Year" and "Best Album". On an international scale, her collaborations include an album recorded with Goran Bregović. The album has sold over 800 thousand copies in Poland and is still the biggest music and artistic success in the country. She has also recorded a single with Cesaria Evora "Embarcacao" released in February 2001. In 2007 Kayah was the first Polish artist to be asked to take part in 'MTV Unplugged' and shortly after a CD and a DVD version of the concert were released. In addition to her own artistic achievements, Kayah's record label, Kayax, has promoted and released over 45 albums of innovative and talented Polish and international artists.

## TRANSORIENTAL ORCHESTRA

The newest project released in 2013. It is a synergy of Slovian, Balkan and Persian sounds. It's a fusion of traditional music with etno-jazz, electronic and movie music, inspired by the Jewish music from various regions of Poland, Europe and the Middle East, with the special emphasis on Sephardic and Ashkenazi roots. Classics performed in unique, energetic, moving arrangements, sung in Polish, Ladino, Hebrew, Arabian and Yiddish.

At the first Polish live Transoriental Orchestra tour Kayah is about to perform in almost 20 concerts in major Polish cities.

Sold out venues! In total around 10 000 people on the audience.

"I was very happy about Warsaw's Singer Festival offer last year. It was the beginning of a wonderful adventure. This adventure turned into an album "Transoriental Orchestra". With this project I'm returning to ethno and world music which was always my thing and succesfully too, thanks to my cooperation with Goran Bregovic, Cesaria Evora and Vera Bila. This time I'm not going into Balkan, African or Gypsy regions but explore the Jewish heritage from all over the world. Choosing songs, I was thinking about the journeys they've had and what influences other cultures have had on Jewish music. This album contains Sephardic Jews and local Ashkenazis. That's the reason for so many languages appearing on the album. I sing in Polish, Ladino, Hebrew, Macedonian, Arabic and Yiddish. I'm blessed with the fact that I'm surrounded by amazing musicians from different parts of the world. So, in our international band, we have artists form Persia, Ukraine and Bulgaria" Kayah



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