

JESSIE RIVEST

VOCALIST, SOUND ARTIST



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ARTIST STATEMENT

My practice is rooted in listening and allowing space for multiple voices. I feel so comfortable with intuitive singing, that it seems like I have been doing it for 50 years. Evoking emotion and providing alternative, participatory forms is a passion I will explore forever. I make noise.

BIOGRAPHY

Jessie Rivest is a vocalist and sound artist based in Kelowna, BC. Her work draws on contemporary, experimental, and interdisciplinary forms. She has performed with artists including Free Play, Rönninge, and Tanya Tagaq, and her choral work has earned international recognition at the World Choir Games and Barbershop World Competition in Germany. Her compositions have been presented by ensembles such as Pro Coro Canada, Choral Arts Initiative, and Khorikos NYC. Jessie holds a Bachelor of Music from York University and post-grad Arts Management Cert. from Humber College.

RECENT WORKS



PSOUNDS (2025)

A public art exhibition transforms everyday spaces into rehearsals for listening. Community participation expands the sonic library of Kelowna sounds.



22 ROOMS (2024-2025)

A collaboration with dancer Hailey McCloskey, drawing audience tarot cards to animate archetypes through sound and movement.



INTROSPECTION (2024)

Performed in Eliseo Santillan's *Universe 3*, using extended vocal techniques alongside piano and contemporary composition.