



Electronic Press Kit

# Larry Murante

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## Featured video: “Those Days”

Written and performed by Larry Murante. [Click to play](#) (requires an internet connection):



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## Bio

Singer-songwriter Larry Murante is well known for his soaring, mellifluous tenor, strong rhythmic guitar style, and engaging stage presence. He performs both originals and cover tunes. His award-winning original songs feature beautifully woven stories about everyday folks. They combine compassionate, socially conscious lyrics with an upbeat, joyful folk-rock style.

Larry's music is reminiscent of Jackson Brown, Lyle Lovett, and Marc Cohn. His extensive repertoire of originals and classic covers can be tailored to audiences at festivals, wineries, restaurants, pubs, private events, radio interviews, and house concerts.

In the past 10 years, Larry Murante has won more than 18 awards in US and international competitions for songwriting and performance, including Grand Prize Winner of the John Lennon Songwriting Contest. Other awards include the West Coast Songwriters Song Contest and the Great American Song. His fourth CD release, Patch of Sky, has garnered critical acclaim and radio airplay in both the US and Europe.

## Awards

- John Lennon Songwriting Contest: Grand Prize Winner
- Billboard Song Contest: Honorable Mention
- Falcon Ridge Festival/ Hillsdale, NY: Showcase Finalist
- FAR-West! Folk Alliance Regional West Conference: Three-time Premier Showcase Artist
- Grassy Hill Kerrville Newfolk Competition: Twice Finalist
- Great American Song Contest: Top Five Winner plus Finalist
- Great Lakes Songwriting Contest: 6th Place Winner
- International Acoustic Music Awards (IAMA): Finalist
- Lakefolkfest Songwriting Contest/Lakewood, WA: Top Five Winner
- New Zealand Songwriting Competition/Peace Song: Top Ten Finalist
- North American Folk Alliance Conference: Official Performance Alley Showcase Artist
- Northwest Music Experience Awards: Winner
- Peacedriven.com Songwriting Contest: twice Finalist
- Puget Sound Songwriting Contest/ Seattle, WA: Winner
- Rose Garden Coffeehouse Song Contest: Winner
- SAMIE (Seattle Area Musical Innovation and excellence awards): Nominated for Best Male vocalist, Album of the year, Best Performing Songwriter Album
- Tucson Folk Festival Songwriting Competition: Finalist
- Tumbleweed Festival Songwriting Contest/ Richland, WA: twice Winner plus Second Place Winner
- Unisong International Song Contest: Finalist plus Honorable Mention
- West Coast Songwriters International Song Contest, Singer-Songwriter Category: Winner plus Honorable Mention
- Wildflower Songwriting Contest/ Richardson, Texas: Winner

## Quotes

“Larry’s a great talent! His insightful, original songs are perfectly complemented by his pure tenor voice, skilled guitar, and harmonica playing. He adds funny and thoughtful on-stage banter and stories, lacing his music together for a relaxed and pleasing night of music. Go see him!” —Craig Lund, Seattle Folklore Society

“Larry is an all-around entertainer, with stories, songs and stage presence, not to mention beautiful lyrics and great talent. Our audience was captivated from the first song, and the feedback we received was extremely positive. We can’t recommend Larry and his music enough. —Russ & Julie’s House Concerts, Oak Park, CA

“Murante has a quality that calls to mind Marc Cohn, Cliff Eberhardt, Iain Matthews, David Wilcox...the kind of musician that you just can’t get enough of. —Mark S. Tucker, Folk & Acoustic Music Exchange

“His songwriting is spectacular. I’m so glad I’m beyond the age of jealousy...When I hear people like Larry Murante sing I feel like that’s why they were put on this earth. We need to hear these voices. —Christine Lavin, singer-songwriter/humorist

“When Larry hit those delicious high notes, the hair on the back of my neck rose. —Lorraine Hart, Tacoma News Tribune