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Saturday 5 November 2011
at Chequer Mead, East Grinstead

KATE WALSH

Support: Andy Whittle

Four years ago, 26 year old Kate Walsh recorded her breakthrough album, *Tim's House*, in her producer's bedroom for £500. It became an iTunes sensation, knocking **Take That** from the No1 spot (the only independent artist ever to have achieved the top spot). The song *Talk of the Town* became Single of the Week in March 2007. Her career took a step up from that time and she is regularly now featured in the music press and radio. Earlier this year, she supported **Mark Knopfler** on his six-night run at the Royal Albert Hall.



A graduate of the Brighton Institute of Modern Music, pianist/guitarist Walsh has been likened to singers such as Joni Mitchell and Kate Bush. She writes delicately fragile, confessional songs that make the listener feel like a close personal confidante as she bares her soul with sometimes shocking candour.

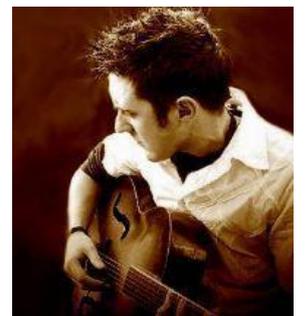
Musically, Walsh undoubtedly falls into the category of 'singer-songwriter' - but one who adores Debussy, studies cello, listens constantly to Classic FM (and little else), bemoans the demise of vinyl and CDs, is entertainingly scathing about the conventional music industry ("it's fickle, selfish, impersonal and backstabbing"). And she has established her own cottage industry to do it her way.

Kate's latest album, **The Real Thing** is officially released in November to coincide with a UK tour and reflects her wish to record an album in the simplest and truest form possible. All songs for the album have been recorded live in the old fashioned sense of the word - no overdubs, no backing vocals... just simple and honest one-take performances which are straight from her heart. *"I want capture the moment the song is played on stage and transfer it to an album. This is the real me, the real thing..."*

You'd better lock up your hearts when she appears at Chequer Mead theatre on 5 November.

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Tickets are £13 (£11 concessions) Box Office 01342 302000.
More information can be found on the Acoustic Sussex website.



What is Acoustic Sussex?

Acoustic Sussex is a non-profit making organisation that puts on live 'folk, roots and acoustic' events in the mid-Sussex area. Any profit we make over the year is used for charitable purposes.