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Folk-pop artist SLOAN WAINWRIGHT belongs to a musical dynasty of impossibly gifted singer-songwriters.

Her family tree (brother and folk-music luminary Loudon Wainwright, sister-in-law Kate McGarrigle, nephew Rufus Wainwright, nieces Martha Wainwright and Lucy Wainwright Roche) reads like a who's who of contemporary folk music. Sloan's incredible gift is not only her unique songwriting ability but also her dramatically voiced rendition of original songs.

"The Wainwrights - Rufus, Martha, Sloan and Lucy - are probably the closest thing American folk has to the Kennedys, with the talented, prolific and good-humored Loudon as the patriarch."

Defying standard categorization, singer/songwriter Sloan Wainwright consistently demonstrates her easy command of a variety of American musical styles -- pop, folk, jazz and blues -- held together by the melodious tone of her rich contralto. With the end result being a unique and soulful hybrid.

"She's folk-influenced, obviously (you can't grow up in the First Family of Folk and not be, one imagines), but the real star here is her voice. Warm and smoky and smooth, it makes her earthy, ominous lyrics seem all the more intense."

With a solid and impressive discography of 7 original CD releases to her credit, Sloan continues to write, sing and perform live.

In addition, Sloan has written numerous musical compositions for theater and dance and teaches at many of the best-known master songwriter series and workshops. Sloan's open spirit and first-hand experience is welcome --year after year-- in the musical classrooms of such prestigious song camps as The Swannanoa Gathering, Summersongs, Wintersongs, WUMB Radio's Summer Acoustic Music Week (SAMW) and Lamb's Retreat.

Sloan is an independent artist making grown-up girl music in the truest sense.

"...A lot of singer-songwriters are whitebread. Sloan is whole grain." **WFMT Radio, Rich Warren**

"...Sloan Wainwright, whose regal voice could fell a redwood." **The Boston Globe**

"...one of those singers whose performance is a force of nature." **Sing Out Magazine**

"...earth mother voice that she pours into unexpectedly sensitive blends of folk, jazz, blues and funk."
The New York Times

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