

## Zoe Keating Review - The Church of The Holy Trinity

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The music of Zoe Keating is a marvel. Her music is a perfect paradoxical amalgam of old and new. Clearly a classically trained musician, Keating combines her academic knowledge with several new age methods, creating something utterly unique. Keating has been a cellist since the age of eight and eventually combined her skills with a computer to define her novel sound. It may seem far too obvious, but a church was the perfect venue for Zoe Keating's music. This was a spiritual experience.

Zoe Keating is not just a one-woman show she is a one-woman orchestra. After writing that, I now see that it is actually the opening line on her website, so I think she knows it. Hailing from northern California, Miss Keating miraculously functions without a record label, taking full advantage of our DIY world. She has an angelic presence, not to play up the spiritual stuff too much, but it is just the best way to describe her. Ultimately she is humble and even a little nervous on stage. Her music on the other hand has a mystical tone, gorgeous composition and is unquestionably technically brilliant. She expertly loops her cello creating layer after layer of backing tracks to riff over. Zoe Keating weaves and combines classical strains and dramatic staccato rock licks into an ethereal sonic ocean born somewhere between her strings.

The audience was appropriately awestruck, a mix of tattooed young people and older baby boomers, all equally eager to listen to Keating play. Not a sound could be heard from the crowd during her playing and in between songs all that could be heard was thunderous applause. Zoe Keating clearly appeals to everyone from classical listeners to fans of avant garde looping techniques. It was such a powerful experience that I actually lost track of time and was late to my next show, having closed my eyes, simply lost in the playground of Zoe Keating's music.

This woman is worthy of your ears, your eyes and your hearts. Please do check out her music if you appreciate the finer things in life.

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