

## About Helen Welch

Take the swing of Ella, sprinkle in the warm alto tones of Karen Carpenter, then add some soul and cheeky British humor and POW... you have world-renowned, critically-acclaimed vocalist, entertainer, producer and bandleader Helen Welch. Helen's beautifully-arranged and entertaining shows have intimately engaged audiences and packed houses around the globe. Broadway World boasts, "Helen's sophisticated vocals and humor leave the audiences breezily enchanted."

A native of England, Helen began her career on television's *Romper Room*. Since her early success, she has headlined with world-class organizations such as the *BBC Big Band*, *Glenn Miller Europe*, *Opus One* and others at some of the UK's most prestigious venues including: *The Ritz*, *The Savoy*, *Blenheim Palace*, *The Grosvenor House Great Room*, *Claridges* and many theatres in *London's West End*. Additionally, she held starring roles in a variety of popular musicals including: *Hello Dolly*, *Barnum*, *Carousel*, *42nd Street*, *Calamity Jane* and *Oliver Twist*.

After a very successful run in the UK, Helen relocated to the United States to guest star in the Broadway musical *Smokey Joe's Cafe*. Her immediate success landed her as a fronting vocalist for *The Cleveland Orchestra*, *The Breckenridge Summer Orchestra*, *The Grant Park Symphony Orchestra (Chicago)*, *The Florida Symphony* and the *Columbus Jazz Orchestra*. Since that time, Helen has been producing her own shows for *Cleveland's Playhouse Square*, *The Akron Civic Theatre*, *The Chautauqua Institution* and many other theatres and performing arts centers. In 2016, her musical release "Spellbound" was an entry for the Traditional Pop Category of the Grammy Awards.



## Testimonials and Reviews:

"To say that the audience was in for a good time is an understatement. Welch is a performer with both stunning vocal ability and terrific stage presence... she more than proved that she has the chops for this music. She has an easygoing, witty nature that's very appealing."

– Arlene Bachanov, *Daily Telegram*

"Thanks Helen. It was a great pleasure to be on stage with you. Great voice, wonderful stage presence, very professional in all dealings. Made my life easy. I'm still getting great feedback."

– Jeff Tyzik, *Conductor, Arranger, Composer, Florida Symphony*

"Welch was the bell of the ball with her sophisticated song-stylings and was dazzling in the highly energetic numbers."

– Kerry Clawson, *Akron Beacon Journal*

"The Holiday spirit was provided by charming Cleveland singer Helen Welch who made an already smokin' CJO sound even better."

– Gary Budzak, *Columbus Dispatch*



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## Superstar: The Songs. The Stories. The Carpenters.

### The show with Richard Carpenter's blessing.

An original, fresh perspective of songs and stories that finally captures the true quality and essence of the Carpenters. Helen celebrates the songs of the brother sister duo including rare and fascinating back stage stories about one of the biggest selling groups of the 1970's.

**Songs include:** *Close To You, We've Only Just Begun, Goodbye to Love, Mr Postman, Superstar, Yesterday Once More, I Won't Last a Day Without You and more!* [www.superstarshow.com](http://www.superstarshow.com)

## A Carpenter's Christmas

A holiday celebration of the music that moved an entire generation.

**Songs include:** *Merry Christmas Darling, Have Yourself a Merry Little Christmas, Close to You, Jingle Bells, We've Only Just Begun and more!*

## Beatles a Little Brit Different

Beatles songs as you've never heard them before using a blend of pop jazz and blues. **Songs include:** *Here There and Everywhere, Get Back, Help!, Can't Buy Me Love, Come Together, Hard Days Night, Ticket to Ride and more!*

## The Songwriters Hall of Fame

Helen turns the spotlight on the more recent song-writers from the decades after the 'golden age'. **Songwriters include:** Carole King, Billy Joel, Joni Mitchell, Elton John, James Taylor, Burt Bacharach, Stevie Wonder and more!

## The First Ladies of Song

Celebrating the music of the the greatest female phenoms of all time.

**Songs include:** *At Last, Fever, Natural Woman, Over the Rainbow, Misty, Both Sides Now and more!*

## A Little Brit Different

Mambo, bolero, swing, cha cha, you name it, it's here! **Songs include:** *Mambo Italiano, Sweet Georgia Brown, Walk on By, Caravan, Ding Dong the Witch is Dead, Not While I'm Around and more!*

## Jingle Bell Swing

Swinging arrangements of holiday favorites. Up beat and entertaining!

**Songs include:** *Holly Jolly Christmas, Jingle Bells, Sleighride, Zat You Santa Claus*

## Swinging on Broadway

Take your favorite Broadway songs, add some swing and POW! Broadway with a difference! **Songs include:** *Too Dam Hot, On the Street Where You Live, All That Jazz, The Trolley Song, If They Could See Me Now and more!*

