

What Can Karen Bring

Picture this: a large conference hall, excited attendees coming early for the best seat to experience their favorite author about to give a talk. They come in, find their seat, and sit... and wait... and talk... and sit ... and wait. Finally about 20 minutes later the speaker is announced and the event begins.

Now imagine this same scene, and instead of the noise of people finding their seats, they are now engaged even before they sit down. A lively entertainer is setting the tone with upbeat, positive message music that is in alignment with the speakers message. Right before the speaker comes out, the singer does an opening song that brings up the energy as the speaker walks out to an enthusiastic and receptive audience.

It's like the difference between watching a movie with a musical score or without one. Music sets the emotional tone for so many parts of our lives - why not for conferences? Studies have shown that using music to anchor the subject matter allows the participants to embody and retain the information much more effectively.

I have been a "music weaver" at many conferences, retreats, and workshops. I have witnessed how music can be the glue that allows the participants to embody the message and have a deeper experience with the information being presented. To simply have a song bookend the experience: a song at the beginning to set the tone, and then one at the end to embody what was said, can make the difference between a good event and a great one.

To help anyone producing a conference or retreat, I offer these ideas of how you can use me at your event.

Welcome/Entrance Music

I perform high energy, positive, audience participation songs as attendees arrive. This sets the tone for a warm and engaging or high energy conference or retreat.

Music during the presentation

With many of the authors that I accompany, it is customary for me, after I have "opened up" for them, to stay on stage and be available to play piano and sing during any meditations, talk transitions, or to bookend a segment with a song.

Customized Song

I can create a customized song specific to your event, your organization or your conference theme. Music that I have written for retreats, organizations, and annual conferences have become recognized as theme songs for these events and their workshop leaders.

A Concert

I can perform with my band and back-up singers doing my show, (see descriptions under "Concerts" section on my web site) and my band can also perform during the cocktail and dinner portion of an evening conference.

Workshop or Teaching Segment

I offer workshops or can work in partnership with other authors or presenters on the bill to support their message. (see "Workshops" section on my web site)

Testimonials:

Authors

"Bottom line: Karen Drucker rocks. As a longtime speaker and seminar leader, I have worked with many musicians. Karen shines far above the masses. She is talented, ultra-present, funny, and an extraordinary team player. Most of all, we have a ton of fun, which audiences recognize and absorb. While Karen's music is awesome, she is the real message. Anyone who co-creates with Karen must be reaping the benefits of many lifetimes of good merit. Hire her."

Alan Cohen, author/speaker

Event Planners

"It is a rare treat to run into someone who embodies an immense musical gift combined with the detailed organizational skills to pull off sustained and brilliant success over a one week or two week event. She brings the best of the creative and business worlds together to make sweet music. Philip Parks, Director of Special Events, United Church of Religious Science

"Karen Drucker's music is the thread that weaves each activity together. Her music touches everyone present and comes from the heart and soul. She is a joy to work with. She is able to "read" the energy of the room and create on the spot what will work in the moment."

Karen Thomas, Events Director, Mile Hi Church

"I am at a loss for words for a quote for you because I could go on forever about the countless benefits you bring to a workshop with your spirit, music and presence. You have the ability to move people deeply through your songs and music. Your songs address healing on many topics and levels.

M.A. Bjarkman, The Conference Works!

From A Fan

"My vision is for there to be a time when the people who put on these conferences will finally get it that it is the music we come for I wait patiently between the speakers and, yes, good ideas and inspirational thoughts are given and received, but oh my goodness, it is the music that leads me into the depths of experience that give the words a context of meaning and importance." Nick from Las Vegas