

Cengiz Özkan was born in 1967 in Divriği, Turkey. He started his musical journey at early ages with the support of his family. In 1980, he started İstanbul Technical University Turkish Music State Conservatory. After his graduation in 1991, he received his masters degree from İstanbul Technical University Social Sciences Institute Folk Music department.

In 1989, he started the Turkish State Radio as a balgama artist.

As a performer who can perform musics of different regions, he released four solo albums and he released two collaboration albums with other musicians.

Since 1998, he performed in many countries, in festivals, venues and special events, both in solo and quartet formats and also with other bands and artists.

Discography:

"Kirmizi Bugday" / Kalan Music, 1998

"Ah İstanbul" / Kalan Music, 2001

"Yare Dokunma" (with Muharrem Temiz) / Kalan Music, 2001

"Saklarım Gözümde Güzelligini" / Kalan Music, 2003

"Gelin" / Kalan Music, 2005

"Elif" (with Incesaz) / Kalan Music, 2008