

CELEBRATING

*THE ICONS OF COUNTRY & FOLK MUSIC*

# Americana WOMEN



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# ABOUT THE SHOW

Featuring four multi-instrumentalists from New York City, Americana Women is distinguished by their tight harmonies, sizzling solos, and passion for bringing more female artists to the spotlight. This dynamic group is sure to have you toe-tapping, clapping, and singing along to the Queens of Country and Folk!

From the classic hits you grew up with to the contemporaries carrying the torch, come celebrate the women who define country and folk music. Sung along to songs by Dolly Parton, The Chicks, Loretta Lynn, Emmylou Harris, Bonnie Raitt, Shania Twain and More!

Educational programming available

# MEET THE BAND



## ALLISON KELLY BANDLEADER

After a decade of touring with original music and theater, one thing remained constant: women's music, songwriting, and stories were told far less than their male counterparts. Inspired to bring female identifying artists to center stage, and to create a collective for NYC based singer/instrumentalists, Allison created Americana Women. From it's earliest days, Americana Women has employed women on the creative, performing, technical, and management teams. Aside from Americana Women, favorite work includes: Monstress (Hunger and Thirst Theatre Co. NYC) Regional: The Other Josh Cohen, American Idiot, Ring of Fire, Airness, Almost Heaven: John Denver's America. NY Workshops: Little Orphan Danny, The Hello Girls. TV: The Helpsters (Apple TV+), The 75th Annual Tony Awards (ensemble vocalist). Allison tours nationally as June Carter with Darlin' Companion: Johnny and June Carter Cash and Not Fade Away: Rock n/ Roll Reignited. Her original music can be found through her band, Southpaw Green, on all streaming services. @akplaysmusic @southpawgreenmusic.



## TINA SCARIANO

Originally from Billings, Montana - Tina is now a New York City based musician, actor, and podcast host. She has performed at the legendary Birdland Jazz Club, toured the country as the lead singer of A Band Called Honalee, and in 2020 debuted her solo show Feels Like Home: Celebrating the Queens of 70's Folk/Rock which has gone on to play iconic venues in NYC's tri-state area and will be touring the country Fall 2023 and Spring 2024. She is a member of Actors Equity and has performed multiple contracts for Disney Cruise Line, Utah Shakespeare Festival and off-broadway shows. Tina is also co-creator of the podcast "Obsessed with the Best" - a show dedicated to beauty, wellness and inspirational women - available on Apple and Spotify! [www.tinascariano.com](http://www.tinascariano.com)

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## LAUREN JEANNE THOMAS

Lauren Jeanne Thomas is an actress and multi-instrumentalist based in NYC. She most recently played The Fiddler in the critically acclaimed Fiddler on the Roof (in Yiddish) Off-Broadway, directed by Tony and Oscar winner Joel Grey. Select credits: Once (Reza, Nat'l tour), The Goree All-Girl String Band (NYMF), Monopoly, Songs For a New World. Concerts: Streicker Center (duet with Itzhak Perlman). BFA Acting (BU and LAMDA). [www.laurenjthomas.com](http://www.laurenjthomas.com) @taurenlthomas



## MEG TOOHEY

Meg has played and written with some of the greatest songwriters of our time (Sara Bareilles, Lori McKenna, Anais Mitchell). She earned praise as a guitarist of The Weepies, won a Latin Grammy with Spain's Manolo Garcia, and helped orchestrate Waitress The Musical. Her songs are featured on shows like "Pretty Little Liars", "Vampire Diaries", "Grey's Anatomy", and with Sara Bareilles, Gavin Creel, Cyndi Lauper, The Go Go's, Jason Mraz, Lea Salonga, and Ruben and Clay.



*"I love storytelling, and these are the genres that tell our stories [...] Folk music is the passing down of what we know set to a melody, and I'm very honored to carry the torch. My favorite part of any performance is when an audience member tells me how a song we performed brought back a special memory. I want audiences to sing along, clap along, and celebrate these amazing Country Queens with us!"*

**-Bandleader Allison Kelly-  
MERCED COUNTY TIMES**

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## **CARRIE LYN BRANDON**

Carrie Lyn Brandon is a NYC based singer, actor, multi-instrumentalist and voice teacher. Carrie has performed all over the world, on National tours (most notably with *Once the Musical*), on cruise ships, with symphonies and in many regional theatres. Favorite credits include playing Jenna in *Waitress* at the Oregon Cabaret Theatre, *Ring of Fire* at North Carolina Theatre and co-creating and co-starring in an all-femme actor-musician celebration of women in music, called *Five On Fire: Groundbreaking Women of Song*. Carrie is passionate about working with women in music, and grew up loving singing country and folk music, so she is very excited to be a part of *Americana Women!* [www.carriebrandon.com](http://www.carriebrandon.com)



## **ABBEY JANNII**

Abbey Jannii is a country songwriter based in Queens, New York. Her band, "Goatroper," performs around NYC bringing Honky Tonk dance numbers to the five burrows. In 2016 she released her first solo album titled, "Prairie Roads." Last year her band released their self-titled album, "Goatroper." She will be releasing her third album in March of the new year. She is a multi-instrumentalist, playing country keys, guitar, and occasionally the harpsichord! Abbey is thrilled to be a part of *Americana Women*. A celebration of the great female singer-songwriters of our time.



## **CAT PATTERSON**

Cat Patterson is an NYC based actor/musician. Born in Virginia, she has spent the past few years working all over the world from tours to cruise lines. Some of her favorite past credits include, the Off-Broadway premiere of *The Signature Project*, the World Premiere of *Mr. Holland's Opus*, and *ONCE the Musical*. Passionate about all areas of theatre, she has been involved with numerous commercials and films, including the film *On Duty*. She is a long-time instrumentalist specializing in cello, violin, and piano. When not performing she can be found reading, eating ice-cream, or rocking out to fall ambience videos on YouTube. She is so excited to be joining *Americana Women!*

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