

Amy Nelson

Amy Nelson has waved the Canadian flag on stages all over the world. Most recently, this Saskatchewan based artist has been making waves down under, with the two singles she released to Australian country radio, both going Top 10.

Amy has showcased at industry events such as AmericanaFest, BreakOut West, JunoFest and Australian Music Week.

She has also collected 36 Saskatchewan Country Music Award nominations.

Amy has teamed up with Social Family Records (Universal Australia) to release her new music which fits into the country/pop genre. This new material features her strong vocal ability and has fun, catchy, melodies and lyrics fuelled by her self-proclaimed “bad luck” in love. This will be her third CD and expected to be release later this summer.

Cabots Crossing Bio

Dominic Terry (Vocals, Guitar, Bodhran)

Born in Irishtown, Newfoundland, Dominic was weaned on traditional Newfoundland, Celtic and East Coast music sitting around the kitchen table with his father, two brothers and a multitude of uncles, cousins and friends who shared a love of the party. A classically trained singer (his voice is the only instrument he contends he's any good with), Dominic sang in music festivals around Western Newfoundland until the time he was 15. After experimenting with hard rock bands across Canada, Dominic decided to return to his roots when he moved to Calgary in 2008. He landed a gig as a solo act at "The James Joyce," where he met what would become his new bandmates from "Fiddler's Green." They would then go on to form "The Codfathers of Sole" and now "Cabots Crossing."

Bryan Culliton (Guitar, Bouzouki, Banjo, Dobro)

Born and raised in Bray, County Wicklow, Ireland, Bryan started his music career at a very early age. Influenced deeply by a close circle of musical friends that included the legendary Rory Gallagher and the Dubliners, his early band endeavours included concert billing with bands such as Skid Row and Thin Lizzy. After emigrating to Canada, Bryan decided to explore his roots in Traditional Celtic music and he focused his attention on developing skills in that direction.

Jonathan Harris (Fiddle)

From Calgary, Jonathan began playing violin at the early age of 4. Classically trained, his migration towards Celtic music began a few years later. Since then he has traveled and entertained audiences globally with organizations such as the Calgary Fiddlers and the Calgary Youth Orchestra and has shared the stage with country music stars Patricia Conroy, Paul Brandt, and the Charlie Daniels Band. Jonathan has participated in music festivals in Canada, England, Scotland, the Czech Republic and New Zealand to name a few. In recent years, Jonathan has been an active member of "Fiddler's Green", "The Codfathers of Sole", the "Jig's Up", and most recently "Cabots Crossing". Experienced in front of audiences large and small, Jonathan's passion for music is why he continues to entertain audiences by the thousands.

Robbie Fraser (Piano/Synthesizer/Fiddle)

Robbie is a fiddler and pianist from Cape Breton, Nova Scotia. He is no stranger to the Celtic music scene, having performed on stage since five years of age. Mostly self-taught, Robbie picks up tunes almost exclusively by ear. He has been featured in the small community dance halls and large outdoor stages of all the major venues throughout Cape Breton, including the Broad Cove Scottish Concert, Granville Green Concert Series, Celtic Colours International Festival, and most recently, Kitchenfest.

CALGARY FIDDLERS BIO

The enthusiasm and energy of youth mixed with the precision of highly trained and musically gifted talent is what has set the Calgary Fiddlers apart from other youth groups across the globe for 37 years. Their extraordinary musicianship, choreography and interactive performances have left a lasting impact on communities around the world. These fifteen amazing musicians are backed up with percussion, strong vocals, mandolin, upright bass and accordion while offering a unique fiddle fusion of traditional folk fiddle, country, bluegrass, Celtic, contemporary and big band genres.

Since the formation of The Calgary Fiddlers in 1981, this highly skilled group of amateur musicians, ranging from 13 to 18 years of age, has performed for live audiences, television and radio broadcasts. Over the years, the group has toured extensively throughout Spain, France, Scotland, Ireland, West Virginia, Pennsylvania, Florida, Kansas, Iowa, Montana, Wyoming, Minnesota and Hawaii. Last summer, they had the honour of performing in Nashville, Tennessee and are heading to represent Canada at an international fiddle summit in Denmark and Germany in August 2019

In addition to a very busy performance schedule, members of the Calgary Fiddlers benefit from cultural opportunities, interpersonal skills development through increased confidence, leadership, team-building, discipline, communication, stress and time management. As well, they are exposed to a number of unique experiences typically available only to professional musicians such as recording projects, television and radio broadcasts, touring (locally, nationally and internationally) and performing with other professional musicians.

Chinook Country Line Dancers (Dance Studio)

- The largest and most popular performing entertainment line dance and modern dance group in Calgary
 - A diverse group of people who share a love of dancing and social interaction
 - Dancers enjoy fitness and fellowship while dancing to upbeat music in a fun, spirited atmosphere
 - Winner of the Prelude Performance in the Calgary Stampede Parade 2012
 - Calgary Herald Readers' Choice GOLD Award: Best Dance Studio 4 consecutive years - 2016 to 2019
 - Nominee for Honorary Mayors White Hat Award
 - Nominee for Best of Calgary Award – 2019
- Best of Calgary Finalist 2019
- Award Winning Outstanding Choreography and Dedicated Services
 - Three time nominee for Best Leadership
 - Two Time Calgary White Hat Nominee for Best Customer Service: Attraction
 - Performing at many events throughout the year
- Their high energy and enthusiasm will get your toes tappin!!

Dara Bio

M.J.P. Academy of Irish dance is one of Calgary's top Irish dance schools. M.J.P. has taken numerous dancers to Championship level in competition and has had dancers qualify for and compete at both North American Championships and the World Championships.

M.J.P. Dancers have been featured in specials for Shaw TV, Global TV , and also Omni T.V. Their dancers have won top prizes three years running at the Spruce meadows "Show Your Spirit" event. M.J.P. and in addition, MJP dancers have previously performed at such events as; the Calgary and Canmore Highland games, and High River's Canada Day celebration and parade.

High Steppin Daddy

High Steppin Daddy is Canada's answer to the 'classic' county resurgence happening all over the world. This band plays true songs that tug at your heartstrings and pull your boots to the dance floor.

The members of High Steppin Daddy have recorded and toured with some of Canada's top artists and entertained at all the major festivals including Cavendish Beach Fest, Craven Country Jamboree, Dauphin Countryfest, Boots and Hearts Music Festival, and the Big Valley Jamboree – with some of the members receiving ACMA and CCMA nominations for their performances.

The band has been bringing the message "Real Music for Real People" across Canada and beyond with recent performances at Quebec Carnival, the 105th Grey Cup in Ottawa, various venues in Banff, as well as the Calgary Stampede. If you are looking for timeless songs, great performances and memories to talk about forever look no further than High Steppin Daddy.

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Real Music for people like you!

Michael Daniels

Michael Daniels is a Canadian country music singer/songwriter who graduated from the University of British Columbia with a degree in Business Management in 2017.

Being raised on the prairies, Michael grew up on country music. On the way to the hockey rink, baseball diamond and school, the speakers of his parents' truck were home to the voices of Mark Chesnutt, Randy Travis and Garth Brooks. At the age of 7, his grandma taught him his first three chord song and he has been hooked on music ever since.

Michael was encouraged to pursue a career in music after entering and winning a singer/songwriter contest while in university. He began writing songs and performing throughout western Canada while completing his business degree. His singing and songwriting caught the attention of Nashville-based Gil Grand, a CCMA multi-award winning producer and recording artist. Gil and Michael began writing together in Nashville in the spring of 2017 and recorded Michael's debut EP later that fall. His new single "Betting on Red" was released to Canadian radio in June of 2018. Michael is thankful to the very talented Peer Music songwriter/artist, Jeffery East, and multiplatinum producer, Steve Freeman, who also worked on the album.

OLIVIA WIK

Olivia Wik is a pop singer and professional songwriter from Edmonton Alberta. She has written over 250 songs with songwriters from around the globe. Olivia has many song placements including *She's So Hepburn* on the hit kid's TV show *The Next Star*, *Mad About It* by Canadian Country artist, Lisa Nicole, and most recently *Mess With Me* by Alberta country artist, Krissy Feniak. Olivia volunteers for various organizations including Calgary's Helping Families Handle Cancer Foundation and the Northern Alberta Ronald MacDonald House in Edmonton. Check out her website or follow her on social media.



The Travelling Mabels

The Travelling Mabels are an ACMA award winning folk/country group from southern Alberta, Canada. For more than a decade, they have brought their own unique brand of harmony, humour and musicianship to Canadian audiences from coast to coast, performing at venues ranging from folk clubs and community halls to big festivals such as the Lunenburg Folk Harbour Festival. In addition, they have shared the stage with many notable artists such as Ian Tyson, Tom Jackson, The Elvis Imperials and Gene Watson.

The group was formed in 2008 by husband and wife duo, Keith and Lana Floen and mother and daughter duo, Eva and Suzanne Levesque. Over the next ten years they collectively wrote and recorded three Cd's and have enjoyed extensive airplay on radio stations such as CBC and CKUA. Their song release, Alberta Blue, has been a long time fan favourite and features a cameo vocal performance by the legendary Ian Tyson.

2018 marked the departure of Suzanne Levesque and opened the door to their newest member, Therry Lawson, a gifted and talented singer/songwriter in her own right. The Travelling Mabels are currently in the studio writing and recording material for their newest CD and are eager to hit the road to share it with the world.

As an ardent fan once humorously stated "If the Eagles and the Trio (Dolly Parton, Linda Ronstadt and Emmylou Harris) were a family, then surely their children would be The Travelling Mabels".

Olde West Raider's Club

A western entertainment group, the Olde West Raiders Club was formed in 2004 by people who enjoy entertaining others with a focus on costumes and stories of the old west. Demonstrating the spirit of the west through skits, skills and costume, each of us enjoys sharing our love of the western lifestyle from years gone by. With a focus on safety, period correct costumes and firearms of the old west, we like to portray what life may have been like during the Era of the Cowboy.

