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### **The Music:**

The sound created by Carla Van Hoose is to music what home cooking is to Mom's kitchen. Singing from the heart and making others feel what she feels in a song are the cornerstones of Carla's performances. Her base is Bluegrass but she adds folk and blues for spice. *Old Times and Memories*, her debut CD, *KentuckyHome*, released in 2003 and *Moonlit Mountain Road*, released late in 2007, have received radio play across the country through stations and syndicated NPR. Internet purchases extend to Holland, Germany, Japan, Zambia and Canada. Her Kentucky Traveler Band includes guitar, bass, fiddle and mandolin or banjo as needed to produce a great sound for your pleasure.

### **What We've Been Doing:**

Radio and Television: Curtains@8!, Music from the Mountains, WVA; Americana Crossroads Live, Afternoon and AM shows at WKYT-TV, Mixed Media-KET

National Releases: Lessons We Have Learned, Oasis vol. 32; Can I Ride In Your Cab Tonight, Mister?, Spring 2004, Oasis; Under the Tennessee Moon, Fall 2007, Oasis.

Festivals: Holden, MO fall festival, J.D.Crowe, Berea and Woodland Park Arts Fairs, Bourbon & Bluegrass Festival, Mayfest, Governor's Breakfast, Capitol Expo, Francisco's Farm, Boyd's and Garrett Orchards.

Coffee Houses: Cheshire Cat, Arvada, CO, Mile High Grill, Englewood, CO; Light House, Common Grounds, Woodsongs, Lexington, KY; Coffee Conspiracy, Berea, KY; Twice Told, Louisville, KY; Café Caffeine, Austin, TX.

Private Parties in KY, CO, Canada, National Campgrounds, wedding, restaurants, malls, art council events, art openings.



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## Quotes

**“...an outstanding ambassador for the vast artistic talents of Kentucky...”** George Ward, Department of Parks, Commonwealth of Kentucky

“Carla’s beautiful guitar work and lovely voice make every performance an oasis.” Terri DeAtley, Program Director, Lexington Arts and Cultural Council

“...a good honest sound and an artistic gift for storytelling in her music.” Joe Dobbs, Host, Music from the Mountains, W VA

“...a passionate and fine representative of Kentucky artists.” Captain Don Cornwell, performer and news announcer, internationally syndicated Woodsongs Old Time Radio Hour

“Carla Van Hoose’s CD, *Kentucky Home*, lyrically and musically captures the true spirit of Kentucky. No wonder it is so respected within the folk community here.” Lee Dellapina, Staff, Ace Weekly Magazine

“...her audiences are moved by her warm, sensitive delivery.” Nick Lawrence, Host, WUKY, Curtains@8!

“You ...made us feel welcome to share in your music.” Paul Hitchcock, Station Manager, WMKY-FM

“Impressive!” Tamara LeBore, Executive Director, The Makenna Foundation

“A talented musician.” Risa Brim, Staff Writer, Herald Leader

“...a class act.” Sharlene Olup, Manager, Wild Oats Market and Café



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# Music Biography

Carla Van Hoose sings music like something cooking from grandma's kitchen. She may steam up a ballad or blues tune, roll out a Bluegrass favorite and add a slice of a folk song. Her audiences walk away satisfied from a plate full of fun.

Americana music contains elements of folk, country, blues and Bluegrass. Blending melody, rhythm and lyrics that highlight the human condition is the hallmark of Carla's performance. Clear, heart-felt vocals bring the songs alive. She is inspired by everyday people in all their glory and mistakes. She tells the tales, touching the audience with what they already know about life. Influences from Michelle Shocked, Emmy Lou Harris, Peter, Paul and Mary, Ralph Stanley, Eva Cassidy, Jim Croce and Ray Stevens weave through her music.

She started singing before she went to school and was encouraged by performances in church choirs, high school concert choirs and special events. She is one of the original members of SisterSound, a Lexington, KY based choir. In As an eight year member of the First Presbyterian Church Choir she has studied with its directors Marlon Hurst, formerly with the Robert Shaw Chorale, Dr. Everett McCorvey, founder and director of the internationally touring American Spiritual Ensemble and Dr. Gary Anderson, choral director at Transylvania University.

Carla Van Hoose's musical talents have been enhanced by gifted performers in her own family. Aunt Mac, Miss Francis Marie McPherson Stewart, composed, performed and taught music at Eastern Kentucky University for twenty-seven years. Carla's grandmother, Effie McPherson had "the loveliest voice in Buchanan County, MO" where she inspired all those who heard her sing. It is only natural for Carla to pass on those same qualities that stream through her family heritage.

Her debut CD, "Old Times and Memories", was released in 2001. "Kentucky Home", Carla's second CD, features Kentucky composers and Kentucky themes. This CD aided her admission to the Kentucky Arts Council's Performing Directory and the regional Southern Artistry Registry. "Moonlit Mountain Road", the newest work, expands the variety of Americana music with newly composed songs and an original of Carla's. Her CDs have been aired in 11 states. Carla has appeared in Kentucky, Colorado, Missouri, Tennessee, West Virginia and Canada. Her CDs have been ordered from listeners as far away as Canada, Germany, Japan and Holland.

Some of her highlight performances include Ride for Hope, J.D Crowe Festival, Woodland Arts Fair, Mayfest, Governors Breakfast, Capitol Expo, The Cheshire Cat, Boyd's Orchard and Poor Richard's Bookstore. Carla makes return appearances on WUKY's award winning, Curtains @ 8!, radio show, Music from the Mountains, West Virginia Public Radio, Americana Crossroads Live, Morehead, KY, Art ala Cart, Woodsongs Coffee House and on television shows, including WKYT-TV Afternoon Show and KET-II.



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# Highlight Performances

## Festivals, Fairs, Arts Events:

Berea Arts Fair, Berea, KY  
Woodland Arts Fair, Lexington, KY  
J.D.Crowe Festival, Wilmore, KY  
Midway Fall Festival, Midway, KY  
Harvest Festival, Holden, MO  
Capitol Expo, Frankfort, KY  
Gallery Hop, Lexington, KY

## Coffee Houses and Cafés:

Twice Told, Louisville, KY  
Poor Richard's, Frankfort, KY  
Alfalfa's, Lexington, KY  
Café Caffeine, Austin, TX  
Café on Main, Lexington, KY  
Coffee Conspiracy, Berea, KY  
Cheshire Cat, Arvada, CO

## Special Events:

Buffalo Crossings Veterans Tribute,  
Shelbyville, KY  
Governor's Breakfast, Frankfort, KY  
NAWBO 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary, Lexington, KY  
Fantasy Ball, Frankfort, KY  
Boyd's Orchard; Evans Orchard

## Discography:

*Old Times and Memories*  
*Kentucky Home*  
*Moonlit Mountain Road*

## Art Centers and Events:

Art ala Cart, Lexington, KY  
Carrollton Arts Opening, Carrollton, KY  
Midway Art Exhibit, Midway, KY  
Girl's Night Out, UK, Lexington, KY

## Other Events or Venues:

Burnamwood church camp service,  
Lawrenceburg, KY  
Eventide, Service of Healing, Lexington, KY  
Community Christmas, Rupp Arena,  
Lexington, KY  
Applebee Park Baseball Stadium, Lexington,  
KY  
Daniel Boone National Forest  
Campgrounds, Morehead, KY

House parties, Funerals, Weddings,  
Fundraisers

## Radio and Television:

In Lexington, KY:  
WUKY-FM Curtains@8!  
WKUT-TV AM Show  
WUKY-TV Afternoon  
In Charleston, West Virginia,  
WVA NPR Music from the  
Mountain,  
In Morehead, KY:  
WMSU-FM Crossroads Americana Live,  
In Louisville, KY:  
KET-II Mixed Media



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