

# GIRL HOWDY

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## ARTIST OVERVIEW

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Girl Howdy roars into town on a mission to keep the honkytonk torch burning bright! This five-piece combo features an all-gal frontline tearing it up on steel guitar, piano, flat-top guitar and soaring vocal harmonies backed by a top-notch rhythm section on upright bass and drums. Delivering spare yet punchy arrangements, an infectious honkytonk groove and one heck of a good time, Girl Howdy has been a favorite at festivals, concerts and dances throughout the Northeast since 2003.

Girl Howdy's current line-up includes well-known roots musicians Paula Bradley on piano, Rose Sinclair on steel guitar, Betsy-Dawn (BeeDee) Williams on flat-top guitar, Brian Rost on upright bass and Texas dancehall veteran Billy Nadeau on drums. All are top-notch musicians who stay busy with a variety of music projects. Bradley is fresh off the road from a national tour (on banjo) with the old-time band Uncle Earl with whom she will tour Germany this spring, and has also toured and recorded with Bruce Molsky and Tony Trischka; Williams plays rubboard with the popular zydeco band Slippery Sneakers and is also known on the rockabilly festival circuit for her release on Spanish roots label El Toro Records; Sinclair can be heard around the Northeast on accordion with Planet Zydeco and steel guitar with Cajun Hall-of-Famer Jesse Lege and tours on the West Coast and Europe with The Crooked Jades; Rost can be seen playing bass with many bands including the Tarbox Ramblers; and Nadeau is a former Texas roadhouse music regular.



Playing music from the classic honkytonk era spanning the last 1940's to the early 1960's, Girl Howdy performs songs from such legends as Hank Williams, Kitty Wells, Buck Owens, Loretta Lynn, Ray Price, the Davis Sisters and Webb Pierce, as well as honkytonk-inspired originals. Hog-wild for raw twang, they plow through their retro-based repertoire with energy, enthusiasm and utter devotion. Often partnering with a Texas two-step dance instructor, Girl Howdy conjures the feeling of a Texas roadhouse on a Saturday night.

In 2006, Girl Howdy released their first CD, a self-produced EP entitled "It's Honky Tonk Time" to rave reviews. Additionally, their main stage performance at the 2006 Rhythm and Roots Festival has been captured on a FestivalLink CD. Their 2010 release "Honky Tonk Hair" features two original songs and showcases the band's current powerful line-up. Wherever they play, Girl Howdy wows audiences and delights dancers with their high-energy music!

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"...smart and sweet-singing... Girl Howdy packs some serious gurl-harmony with classic honky-tonkin' grooves." **Providence Journal**

"...sweet harmonies, sliding steel and sawing fiddle--define Girl Howdy's genuine jukebox sound. With a few exceptions, males dominated the post-war Honky Tonk scene. But in the 21st Century, Girl Howdy rules..." **Hudson Valley (NY) Bluegrass Association Jamboree**

". . . an emerging group with the talent to go a long way in the business." **The Audiophile Voice**

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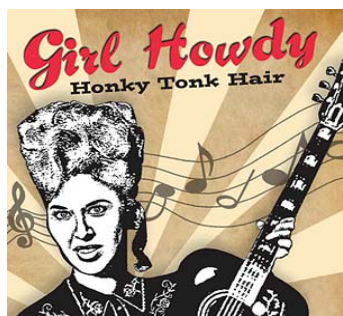
## VENUES PLAYED (PARTIAL LIST)

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Grey Fox Bluegrass Festival-Angramdale, NY  
Rhythm and Roots Festival-Charlestown, RI  
Dance Flurry Festival-Saratoga Springs, NY  
Strawberry Park Folk Music Festival-Preston, CT  
Hudson River Arts Festival-Poughkeepsie, NY  
Clark Art Institute-Williamstown, MA  
RISD Museum-Providence, RI  
Iron Horse Music Hall-Northampton, MA  
2008 MA Country Music Awards-Randolph, MA  
The Bull Run-Shirley MA  
First Night Northampton-Northampton, MA  
First Night Worcester-Worcester, MA  
Hudson River Theater-Hudson, NY  
Tawasentha Park Summer Concert Series-Guilderland, NY  
Johnny D's-Somerville, MA

Concerts on the Green-Middlebury, VT  
NIMFEST-Providence, RI  
Westhampton Concert Series-Westhampton, MA  
Elm Park Concert Series-Worcester, MA  
PACE Theater-Easthampton, MA  
The German Club-Pawtucket, RI  
Greenfield Classic Day Festival-Greenfield, MA  
Three County Fair-Northampton, MA  
Heath Fair-Heath, MA  
Mineral Springs Bluegrass Festival-Stafford Springs, CT  
Peepthead Coffeehouse-Foster, RI  
Watermelon Weds. Concert Series-Whately, MA  
The Milky Way Lounge-Jamaica Plain, MA  
Cafe Fantastique-Worcester, MA  
Club Helsinki-Gt. Barrington, MA

## DISCOGRAPHY



**GIRL HOWDY**  
"HONKY TONK HAIR" (2010)  
6-song EP featuring originals & Honkytonk classics



**GIRL HOWDY**  
"FestivalLink.net: Rhythm and Roots Festival 2006"  
Live concert set from the main stage



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