

Georgia Cortes Rayner – Late Blooming Singer Songwriter

Bio

Georgia's distinctive smooth vocals and heartfelt lyrics combine with her music to create something that is folky, bluesy, bit country, bit rock, bit hip hop, social commentary/protest and her own style of observational angst.

Born in Brooklyn, New York, to Australian and Ecuadorian parents, raised in New Orleans & Brooklyn, Scotts Head has been home for Georgia since 2004. After careers in law, town planning and local government, Georgia took the plunge into being a fulltime singer song writer at age 52. At age 55 Georgia released her first Album, *The Past Is A Passenger* to rave Local and International reviews. She's now writing songs for a second album, and gigging as much as possible. A local favourite at markets and café's in the region, her live shows feature her soulful originals and with a mix of covers, from toe tappers to chill songs, there is something for everyone.

Album & Touring Info

- *'The Past is a Passenger'* full album/CD released 19 March 2022, recorded & produced by Stewart Peters of Soundshed Music at Valla. A collection of songs about life, love, loss, family and environmental angst inspired by the past, the present and the future. 12 Original Tracks including a remixed album version of the single Flame, & 24 page story, art and lyrics booklet.
- Various local venues/markets on the Coffs Coast and Northern Rivers, Yamba Food Truck Festival. Check her website georgiacortesrayner.com for details.

Industry Quotes About Album and Live Performances of *The Past Is A Passenger*

- "An absolute triumph...A Standout Release" – Garth Thomas, The Hollywood Digest
- This is the type of music that connects with your soul – RagMag (Recording Artists Guild)
- "There's so much to love within these tracks" – Dino Di Muro, Pitch Perfect
- "A must hear" – Jessica Lloyd, Lost In The Nordics
- "A set of tracks that leaves the listener in a 'feel good' place" – Mick Birtles, News of the Area
- "just her and a guitar, and the result was indeed truly great". – Mick Birtles, News of the Area
- "The Past Is A Passenger" is more than a debut; it's a sincere invitation to embark on a soul-stirring expedition alongside a gifted artist finding her voice, her sound and her rightful place in the ever-evolving symphony of music. Anne Hollister – The Indie Source

Key Achievements

- Debut Album – *The Past Is A Passenger* – released 19 March 2022.
- Featured in AMRAP Article 'The Power And The Passion' by Cameron Menegoni about Australian musicians making music with a political charge.
- Interview with John Dearing on BACR 100.9 FM in his Emerging Australian Musicians segment on 8 March 2022.
- 2NVR 105.9 FM Lounge Room Concert Series – Solo 1 hour set - 16 May 2020
- Studio 3 Live at 2NVR Late Album Launch – 2 hours Full album with stories – 20 Jan 2023.
- Performer at inaugural Woodstock in the Valley in Macksville 2019, returning 2023.
- Return performer at It's Ok on the Macleay- Festival, with Auslan interpreters 2019, 2022, 2023.

Fun Facts: -

- Writes and performs Birthday Raps for friends and family under the name of 'GDawg The Gift Rapper'.
- First Person to graduate from Southern Cross University with a Double Degree in Law and Environmental Science in 1999.

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