

## **MARIE-LYNN HAMMOND – short biography**

Marie-Lynn Hammond has been called one of Canada's best songwriters by no less than Estelle Klein, a co-founder of the Mariposa Folk Festival, and Gary Cristal, founder of the Vancouver Folk Music Festival. Herself a co-founder of Stringband, the seminal Canadian folk group and indie-record pioneer, Hammond's known for her unique voice, her dynamic stage presence, and her brilliant songs, which range from wickedly funny to hauntingly personal—in both official languages.

While she was recording Pegasus, her most recent album, Hammond lost one of her sisters to cancer, and after the album's release she withdrew from the music scene for several years. Just as she was about to start performing again, a major accident left her with a visual disability, forcing her once again to regroup. But Hammond is back performing and writing at the top of her form once again, with a new CD slated for summer or fall of 2011.

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