

MISSY RAINES & THE NEW HIP

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PRESS

Seven-time IBMA Bass Player of the Year, Raines isn't resting on her bluegrass laurels. Instead, she's brought together a startlingly gifted quintet that opts for groove over narrow stylistic consistency. **-Nashville Scene**

Missy Raines...probably tops the very short list of superstar bluegrass bassists. She is a seven-time International Bluegrass Music Association Bass Player of the Year, and is one of the few players to have developed a following for her skill on the bass fiddle. Like fellow virtuosos Chris Thile, Mark O'Connor and Alison Brown, Raines decided to allow her skills some genre-blurring freedom. **-Free Lance Star**

The new hip is making some of the greatest music you will ever hear - very innovative and bursting with talent. Although grounded in bluegrass, the new hip and its players move into a new sphere all their own. **-San Diego Troubadour**

The music? Think a jazzier Nickel Creek or a (slightly) feistier Alison Brown. **-San Jose Mercury News**

As the story goes, Bill Monroe, Joe Jackson, and Ray Brown, three prominent players in the idioms of bluegrass, pop and jazz, respectively, had a spontaneous jam session in Raines' subconscious one fateful night, and when the string bassist awoke, she knew just how to weave the three forms into one genuinely new, streamlined groove. [Seven] International Bluegrass Music Association "Bass Player of the Year" awards later, Raines and her accompanying [four]-piece band are washing the mud from the feet of the genre and stylishly pushing it toward the more cosmopolitan newgrass. **-Good Times Santa Cruz**

ONLINE

With her incredible bass playing aside, Missy's steamy vocals are also unique for the genre. She has the voice of a jazz singer mixed with country and pop influences.

-ProgFiles.com

She's a leader, not a follower. **-GoTriad.com**

OTHER SOURCES

If jazz sounded like you guys, I would love jazz. **-Larry Wines, KCSN**

Playing with Missy Raines is like walking on air. **-Tony Rice**