

## Nancy Simmonds

### BAND STORY

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#### NANCY SIMMONDS

Born in London, Ontario, Nancy began pursuing her singer/songwriter career when she moved to Toronto in 1971 and performed at Coffeehouses such as The Riverboat, Smale's Pace and le Hibou.

She worked briefly with Leonard Cohen in Nashville and then began performing at festivals and clubs throughout Ontario, opening concerts at Massey Hall for Chris de Burgh and J.J. Cale. She made appearances on many of the current days' TV shows, performed in the movie "Silent Partner" and eventually signed a publishing deal with Chappell Music Canada in the early 80's. Nancy was an original member of Prairie Oyster while continuing to maintain her performing act "The Nancy Simmonds Band". She left Canada in 1986 to live in Carpinteria, California for the next 16 years where she was involved in animal rescue as well as maintaining her writing and producing career. Her songs have been covered by Melissa Manchester, Ricky Van Shelton, Rosemary Butler, Alannah Myles, Christopher Ward, Joan Kennedy, Quartette, Adrian Zmed, Colleen Peterson and Veronique Believeau. She has received writing awards for the multi-million selling CD "Alannah Myles" and "Song Instead of a Kiss". In 2002 while performing at historic "Fiesta Days", she won the Santa Barbara Songwriting Contest.

Between 2002 and 2003 she produced three CDs from the catalogue once known as All Breed Dog Songs and now release as Musical Tails. 1st. 2nd and 3rd



### STATS

Visits	Plays
643	0
Streams	Downloads
0	0

### Featured Songs

Litters. There are now 101 dog breed songs available through iTunes for individual downloads.

In 2005 she co-produced the late Colleen Peterson's last CD with David Bradstreet called Postcards From California, a collection of songs written and recorded in her studio in California with Colleen and other Canadian writers Alannah Myles, Christopher Ward, Robert Priest and Cyril Rawson.

In 2007 she and David Bradstreet produced her first release, Debut, on Joe Tucker Records. In 2009 she completed the 10th "Litter", or CD, for Musical Tails with all songs written, performed, engineered and mixed by Nancy. She now resides in Halifax, Nova Scotia.

ps. many videos on YouTube from Musical Tails and The Nancy Simmonds Band

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