

## ABSOLUTE LOSERS

Absolute Losers turned heads with their wirv post-punk debut, At The Mall, released independently in 2023. Praised for their airtight, high-energy live shows, Absolute Losers have become a must-see act, skillfully delivering on the crack musicianship of their recordings. The Losers are now gearing up to release their followup, In The Crowd, on September 26 via Having Fun Records. This promising sophomore effort showcases the band's knack for sharp, straight-to-the-point pop songwriting without losing the raw edge that's made them stand out.



### AUBIN PI LA S.C.B.

Aubin pi la S.C.B. is an Acadian rock n' roll band from Abram-Village, PEI. The band was named one of the seven Acadian acts to watch out for in 2024 in a featured Bandcamp article. They released their first album in 2022 and will release their second in 2025. The group was nominated for the Prix de L'Acadie at the PEI Music Awards both in 2024 and 2025.



#### **BRAD MILLIGAN**

Brad Milligan is an award-winning singer/ songwriter known for his soulful voice and impassioned stage presence. Born and based out of PEI, Brad has the striking ability to draw audiences in with his unique, yet powerful voice, his undeniable energy, and his genre jumping music which encapsulates the best of both the country and rock worlds. Over the last several years Brad has won a music PEI award, showcased at the ECMAs and CCMAs, and has become one of the most sought after singers on PEI.



# BROOKE MACARTHUR

Brooke MacArthur, a country singersongwriter from Prince Edward Island, is a threetime Music PEI award nominee known for her powerful tone and dynamic stage presence. A seasoned performer, she has played in bands and shows across the region. In recent years, she has released three singles, including a duet with Lawrence Maxwell. and toured with Steven Lee Olsen, opening for him in PEI and Nova Scotia. With new music set for release in spring 2025, Brooke is expanding her career.



# CATHERINE MACLELLAN

Catherine MacLellan is a IUNO award winner. ECMA songwriter of the year, and has released 7 albums over the past 20 years while touring around the world. She makes her home in her beloved Prince Edward Island, her songs reflecting the landscape of the island. Her music takes you through struggles, triumphs and the joy of life. Dedicated to the craft of songwriting, Catherine's desire for connection is at the heart of her work.



### DENNIS ELLSWORTH

Dennis Ellsworth is a multi-discipline artist/songwriter from Charlottetown, PEI. He has collaborated with Josh Finlayson and Andy Maize (Skydiggers), Gord Downie (The Tragically Hip), Joel Plaskett, Donovan Woods, Rose Cousins, UK folk singer John Smith, and David Barbe (Drive-By Truckers/ Sugar). In 2023, Dennis signed with Tonic Records for his ECMA nominated album. Modern Hope. Soon after, he collaborated with Jim Bryson, for the 2024 release *Hardcore* Freewheelin'. Dennis will be touring through the UK from January to February of 2026.



### **DIANA DELIRIO**

Colombian-born and now based in Canada, Diana Delirio blends Latin rhythms, electronic elements, and art pop into a sound all her own. She has performed at key venues in Colombia and in PEI, including the Trailside Music Hall and the Divercity Festival. Currently studying Music Performance at Holland College, she was selected to take part in the Music Business mentorship program "SOPA Sonic Records," as well as the 2024-25 Music PEI Golden Ticket Program. She was recently invited to be a part of the Bogota Music Market, an industry conference happening in Colombia spring of 2025.



### **EMILEA MAY**

Emilea May is a PEIbased artist known for crafting songs that hit like transfer trucks of raw emotion. Indie-Pop-Rock edge, cutthroat lyrics, and a voice that confesses. Drawing inspiration from artists like Lizzy McAlpine, Phoebe Bridgers and Madison Cunningham, weaving tales inspired by the mysteries of creation, the intricacies of human connection and the metamorphosis of motherhood. Her forthcoming album Unwreck Me echoes her own lived experience the heartache, the heaviness and the holding onto hope.



# GAMMONS & KNORR

Guitarist Tom Gammons and fiddler Ray Knorr each followed their passion for traditional music from West to East, Gammons from Montana and Knorr from Saskatchewan, the duo found a source of deep inspiration on PEI. Their debut EP Bird's Eye was released in April 2025, and takes influence from Québécois, Acadian, Old Time and Scottish styles. Through interpretations and original compositions, Gammons & Knorr tell their stories in the space between fiddle and guitar.



### **GIZMO**

Gizmo are Charlottetown rockers inspired by the guitar-damaged pop of 1990s American slacker bands and their contemporaries on Canada's east coast. A 120 Minutes band for the Gen Z mindset, they breathe new life into their vintage influences with a distinctive songwriting style and frenetic live show. They emerged to acclaim with 2023's Buddy System EP and are readying a forthcoming full-length debut, due for release next year.



### **INN ECHO**

Inn Echo, formed in 2019 in Prince Edward Island, blends Celtic traditions with contemporary influences. Comprised of Tuli (BC), Karson (ON), and Tom (USA), the trio weaves fiddle, cello, and guitar into a unique sound. Their music, featured on their 2023 album Hemispheres, reflects their diverse backgrounds and modern twists on traditional styles. Having performed globally, from the Woodford Folk Festival to the Hebridean Celtic Festival, Inn Echo is shaping Canada's vibrant new folk scene.



### IZZIE YARDLEY (UK)

Izzie Yardley is a singersongwriter attracting critical recognition as a singer, lyricist and multi-instrumentalist. She crafts detailed songs laced with imagination, emotion, and beguiling complexity, which draw from British folk traditions as well as the jazz and classical music she grew up on.



## **JOCE REYOME**

Joce Reyome is known for a powerful blend of classic blues, raw vocals, and a sound rooted in the spirit of uninhibited rock. Influenced by artists like Aretha Franklin, Janis Joplin, and Tracy Chapman, Reyome brings authenticity and emotional depth to every performance—balancing heartbreak, humour, and soul. Winner of the 2025 Solo/Duo Category at the International Blues Challenge, Reyome has performed at IUNOfest, the ECMAs, the Confederation Centre of the Arts, and the Orpheum Theatre in Memphis, leaving a lasting impact on audiences across North America.



# LAWRENCE MAXWELL

Lawrence Maxwell's latest album, Ballad of Miles was nominated for seven Music PEI Awards in 2023, and in 2024, he received the award for Music PEI's 'Entertainer of the Year.' His songs have received airplay on: Sirius XM's 'Top of the Country,' Country Hits Radio UK and CBC 'Q'. With its neotraditional production, and comparisons to both John Prine and Merle Haggard, Roots Music Canada has dubbed the record "the first great Canadian alt-country album of 2022."



## LENNIE GALLANT

Lennie Gallant is a Canadian singersongwriter from PEI, celebrated for his captivating songs and stories. With collaborations with artists like Jimmy Buffett and various symphony orchestras, Gallant's poignant songwriting has earned him multiple awards and nominations. and a devoted fan base. He has released fifteen albums of original songs, and his song "Peter's Dream" was inducted into the Canadian Songwriters Hall of Fame. He is a member of The Order of Canada.





# LUISA GÜIZA

Luisa Güiza is a Colombian singer and songwriter based in Prince Edward Island. Canada. Her music showcases a range of Latin genres, blending traditional rhythms with Latin funk influences to reflect her cultural roots. With a sound that celebrates heritage and creativity, Luisa continues to bring vibrant, genre-spanning performances to audiences across the Island and beyond.



### **LUKA HALL**

Luka Hall is a fiddleplaying virtuoso from PEI, captivating audiences since age 9. A rising star in the island's trad music scene, he's recently made his mark as a singer-songwriter with his debut EP, To Be Honest, featuring all original songs and fiddle tunes. With his passion for music and natural charisma, Luka is poised to become a prominent figure in the industry.

### LOGAN RICHARD

Logan Richard is one of music's rarest creatures—a compelling and diverse songwriter who also shreds. He has built a reputation as a deft, genre-fluid songsmith and peerless hired gun for some of Canada's most exciting musicians, such as Bahamas and David Myles. He's had multiple sync placements, including those on Netflix and CBC. His album Character Traits was released in May of 2025.



### **NOAH MALCOLM**

With four ECMA nominations and four Music PEI awards, folkpop singer-songwriter Noah Malcolm has appeared at M for Montreal, Lunenburg Folk Fest, Cavendish Beach, JUNOFest (Halifax, Vancouver), NXNE, LA's Open Folk (Hotel Café), and with the PEI Symphony. Oozing originality on stage, his songwriting punches above its weight with impressive range and 'melodic mastery' (The East Mag). Signed with CYMBA Publishing, he's attended song camps in Finland, Spain, Toronto, and has had several sync placements.



#### **SARAH HAGEN**

A classical pianist with a wry wit, Sarah Hagen enjoys a rich and diverse concertising life and has released four solo albums. Her extensive touring has taken her across Canada, to Europe and to the United States. including twice to New York City's Carnegie Hall. Highlights of recent seasons include solo sets at Tønder Festival in Denmark. Cambridge Folk Festival, Mariposa Folk Festival, and tours in Sweden and throughout the USA.



# SHANE PENDERGAST

Shane Pendergast has folk music in his blood. Hailing from a long lineage of storytellers and musicians in Prince Edward Island, he is keeping the Maritime folk tradition alive with his honest and insightful compositions. From acclaimed folk festivals across the world to the small halls of PEI. Shane has cemented himself as one of Atlantic Canada's finest folk troubadours. His 2021 album Second Wind won **Contemporary Roots** Album of the Year at the Music PEI Awards.



## **SIDDHU SNEH**

siddhu sneh is an artist, record producer and composer blending Eastern and Western sonic textures rooted in their journey connecting with their transcestors. They seamlessly blend hop, and traditional carnatic music to craft a unique, futuristic sound that transcends boundaries and geographies; offering an ironic, surreal, and goofy take on life. Through their art and state of existence, siddhu aims to unite diverse audiences with radical love and healing, deepening their connection to the creator, humanity, and



### **TANYA DAVIS**

Tanya Davis is a writer and performer based in rural Epekwitk/ Prince Edward Island. She has released four records and two books, including *How to be* Alone, a collaboration with filmmaker Andrea Dorfman, She works across artistic disciplines, creating for the page, the stage, the stereo, and the screen. Her latest show is called "Mass for Shut-Outs," which she recently performed at Woodford Folk Festival in Australia. Tanya is PEI's current Poet Laureate.



# THE UMBRELLA COLLECTIVE

The Umbrella Collective is a five-piece band based in Epekwitk (PEI). Diverse in both age and culture, these five musicians have united in Charlottetown to create a unique sound. Drawing inspiration from Hiphop, Jazz, Afrobeats, R&B, and more, The Umbrella Collective defies the boundaries of musical genres and is on a journey radiating love and integrating community through music. Following their 2023 debut release, WELCOME TO STUDIO UC!, The Umbrella Collective received the Hip-Hop Recording of the Year and R&B Recording of the Year awards from Music PEI, as well as a nomination for Hip-Hop Recording of the Year from the East Coast Music Association.