

Mary Flower

**2008 Blues Music Award Nominee
Acoustic Artist of the Year**

Yellow Dog Records recording artist Mary Flower is renowned for a uniquely personal vision of roots music that blends ragtime, acoustic blues, and folk - technically dazzling yet grounded in the down-to-earth simplicity of early 20th century American music.

With eight albums under her belt, Flower has earned rave reviews from critics and audiences alike for her unassuming vocals, but it's her instrumental skill - a mastery of the difficult Piedmont blues guitar that takes most players a lifetime to hone - for which Flower is most celebrated.

Her fingerpicking forms the basis of a heavily syncopated, ragtime-based style wherein the thumb plucks a strong rhythmic base as the fingers etch out the melody. Mary also excels at lap slide guitar, allowing her to infuse songs with a supremely delicate, plaintive sound that's hers alone while recalling the blues giants of the past.

Flower performs and teaches internationally, and has released several instructional DVDs, including a few for highly regarded Homespun Tapes.



"a world-class fingerstyle and lap-slide guitarist" - Downbeat Magazine

"unfailingly sweet, hot and sassy" - All Music Guide to The Blues

Festivals

**Merlefest • Kerrville Folk Fest
King Biscuit Festival
Calgary Folk Festival**

Edmonton Blues Festival • Bumbershoot
Waterfront Blues Festival • Sisters Folk
Festival • Blind Willie McTell Festival
Mississippi Valley Blues Festival
Winnipeg Folk Festival • and more...

Venues

**Freight and Salvage • Tin Angel
The Ark • Godfrey Daniels**
Cafe Lena • Calliope Folk Music Series
San Luis Obispo Folk Music Society
Swallow Hill Music Association
and more...

Radio

**Prairie Home Companion • E-Town
BBC Radio • Woodsongs**

Education

**European Blues Association
Centrum Country Blues
Fur Peace Ranch
Swannanoa Gathering**
Augusta Heritage Center
Puget Sound Guitar Workshop • Accent on
Music • International Guitar Seminars
SAMW • Steve Kauffman's Acoustic Camp
Blues in the Schools • and more...

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*"One of the best blues-based singer
songwriters working today."*

- Acoustic Guitar Magazine

