BIOGRAPHY

ami Williamson



Born Sydney, Australia

Studied The McDonald College of Performing Arts, ranking third in NSW for

HSC Music.

Awarded a Licentiate of Music in Singing (AMEB) and A+ for 8th grade Piano (AMEB). The Ensemble Theatre - studied acting with

Hayes Gordon.

The Sydney Conservatorium of Music - graduated with a Bachelor of Music and won a scholarship in opera to further her studies in Germany with the world renowned Baritone Thomas Quasthoff.

The Goethe Institute in Berlin - Winner of the Sydney Language Scholarship.

Performances

Opera Australia's *Turandot, Camina Burana, Iolanthe* (conducted by Richard Bonynge), The State Opera of South Australia's *Sweeney Todd* (Directed by Gale Edwards) and Kevin Jacobsen's *Turandot*.

National tour with her father - country music legend John Williamson.

Since 2000 has toured Australia and abroad (Germany, United Kingdom, Costa Rica, New Zealand, Solomon Islands, Middle East) with her celebrated ONE WOMAN SHOW performing at major venues and festivals such as Woodford Folk Festival, Port Fairy Folk Music Festival, National Folk Festival and Sydney's State Theatre to name a few.

2008 - Ami entertained the troops in the Solomon Islands, Iraq and Afghanistan with Angry Anderson and Tania Zaetta. ABC's "Australian Story" accompanied the performers on tour and filmed a documentary which was shown in two parts on ABC1.

Other

Recorded for 2MBS-FM, ABC Classic FM and ABC Radio National as well as performing on A Current Affair, Hey Hey It's Saturday, Good Morning Australia, The Midday Show, Burkes Backyard, The Today Show, 9am, Mornings with Kerri-Anne and The Morning Show amongst other TV appearances.

Shared the stage with many artists including International Folk Icon Judy Collins, Claire Bowditch, Sarah McLachlan, John Butler, The Angels, The Whitlams, Angry Anderson, Beccy Cole and Eric Bogle to name a few.

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Discography 2006 EP "Ami Williamson"
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2008 DVD "Ami Williamson Live"

2010 Album "Close to Home"

2012 Album "Ami Williamson Live - One Woman Show"

2015 Album "I'll Ride With You"

2018 Album "The Quilt"

Press reviews

"Forceful, funny, powerful and poetic, Ami Williamson is an Alt-Folk Singer/Songwriter like no other! I cried, I laughed- then both at the same time - one woman show at it's best" - (The Sydney Morning Herald).

"What do you get when you mix an entertainer with a songwriter? An ex-opera singer with a comedian? A folk singer with a set of drums? A show girl with a poet?..... Ami Williamson!" - (The Canberra Times).

"Ami Williamson is a genius, my favorite act at the Port Fairy Folk Festival" - (International Folk Icon Judy Collins).

"She has toured Australia several times over. She's graduated from the Sydney Conservatorium of Music and Ensemble Acting Studios. Daughter of Australian music legend John Williamson, Ami Williamson is bringing audiences to their feet!" - (The Australian)

"A festival loves to book an artist such as Ami Williamson. She's a class act with poise, passion and 'personality plus', she has the power to own her show - the stage and the audience's adoration. Ami can't help it if she's also beautiful and charming, but we'll put up with anyone who creates a buzzfest - as she can. Pssst.....check out the wall of arty letters after her name. Phew!" - (Jamie McKew - Festival Director & Programmer at Port Fairy Folk Festival)

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