



Megan Sidwell – Background

Megan Sidwell embodies the perfect balance of an edgy, chuck - wearing rocker with the pure heart of a country belle. Her music forms a unity between the sensibilities of rock and country pop. Her songs bleed infectious pop hooks and country harmonies, with an edge and a dramatic overtone uniquely her own.

Sidwell's musical identity has been shaped over the years by the likes of Bonnie Raitt, Pat Benatar, Hayley Williams and Dave Grohl, while the gentler side of her craft pays homage to pop sensations, Taylor Swift and Katy Perry.

Born in Tauranga, New Zealand, this young starlet won the **Smokefree Rockquest Regional heats' Female Musicianship award** twice over in 2007 and 2008.

In 2014 Megan graduated with a Bachelor of Music from The University of Auckland.

Her debut 5 track EP, *Forever on a Sunday*, was released in October 2013. Produced and mixed by the multi - talented **Ben King** (Goldenhorse), the EP also features the likes of **Nick Gaffaney** (Cairo Knife Fight) on drums and **Janek Croydon** on pedal steel.

Currently based in Melbourne, Megan has already released a music video (*Forever on a Sunday*), a crowd-funded single (*Never Saw it Coming*) and a new band so far in 2015. Sidwell is at present writing for her debut album.

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