

Hi Everyone,

Roman Tacik informed me that Devon Sproule has dual Canadian citizenship, which I confirmed on her website. That being the case, significant changes appear on the tally.

Here are the April stats for Canadians' airplay on folkdj-1 playlists. This information has been sifted, with permission, from international lists compiled by Richard Gillmann. In April, Richard's lists were based on 13,982 airplays from 155 different DJ's.

The number in brackets indicates the number of plays that album, song or artist received in the month. Devon Sproule takes the hat trick for her "Keep Your Silver Shined" album which was #11, "Old Virginia Block" and "Weeping Willow" tied at #21 and Devon herself came in at #10 on the top artist tally on Richard's international lists.

#### **April: Top Canadian Albums**

1.	Devon Sproule	"Keep Your Silver Shined"	(46)
2.	Jory Nash	"Folk Jazz Blues And Soul"	(34)
3.	The Duhks	"Migrations"	(26)
4.	Eve Goldberg	"A Kinder Season"	(19)
	Cara Luft	"Light Fantastic"	(19)
5.	The Wailin' Jennys	"Firecracker"	(17)
6.	Crabtree And Mills	"Flight Of Fancy"	(15)
	David Francey	"Right Of Passage"	(15)
7.	Loreena McKennitt	"An Ancient Muse"	(14)
	Nathan	"Key Principles"	(14)
	The Wailin' Jennys	"40 Days"	(14)
8.	Blackie & the Rodeo Kings	"Let's Frolic Again"	(13)
9.	Neil Young	"Live At Massey Hall 1971"	(12)
<b>10.</b>	<b>Kim Beggs</b>	<b>"Wanderer's Paean"</b>	<b>(11)</b>
11.	Kendel Carson	"Rearview Mirror Tears"	(10)
	The Duhks	"The Duhks"	(10)

Linda McRae (10)	"Carve It To The Heart"
Various Artists Of The Band"(10)	"Endless Highway: The Music

**April: Top Canadian Songs**

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|-----------|--------------------|--|------------|
| 1.        | Devon Sproule      | "Old Virginia Block"                   | (9)        |
|           | Devon Sproule      | "Weeping Willow"                       | (9)        |
| 2.        | Devon Sproule      | "Keep Your Silver Shined"              | (8)        |
| 3.        | Cara Luft          | "Black Water Side"                     | (7)        |
| 4.        | Devon Sproule      | "1340 Chesapeake St."                  | (6)        |
|           | Devon Sproule      | "Does The Day Feel Long"               | (6)        |
|           | The Wailin' Jennys | "Devil's Paintbrush Road"              | (6)        |
|           | Jenny Whiteley     | "Banjo Girl"                           | (6)        |
| <b>4.</b> | <b>Kim Beggs</b>   | <b>"Lay It All Down"</b>               | <b>(5)</b> |
|           | The Duhks          | "Moses Don't Get Lost"                 | (5)        |
|           | Eve Goldberg       | "Let Me Rise"                          | (5)        |
|           | Lenore             | "Hippie Song"                          | (5)        |
|           | Jory Nash          | "Summer Hunter"                        | (5)        |
|           | Jory Nash          | "Tracks Of My Tears"                   | (5)        |
|           | Stan Rogers        | "The Mary Ellen Carter"                | (5)        |
|           | Neil Young         | "Man Needs A Maid/Heart Of Gold Suite" | (5)        |

**April: Top Canadian Artists**

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|-----|-------------------|------|
| 1.  | Devon Sproule     | (48) |
| 2.  | The Duhks         | (47) |
| 3.  | Jory Nash         | (38) |
| 4.  | Wailin' Jennys    | (32) |
| 5.  | Neil Young        | (31) |
| 6.  | David Francey     | (28) |
| 7.  | Eve Goldberg      | (25) |
| 8.  | James Keelaghan   | (24) |
| 9.  | Joni Mitchell     | (22) |
|     | Garnet Rogers     | (22) |
| 10. | Bruce Cockburn    | (20) |
|     | Stan Rogers       | (20) |
| 11. | Stephen Fearing   | (18) |
|     | Cara Luft         | (18) |
| 12. | Finest Kind       | (17) |
|     | Loreena McKennitt | (17) |
| 13. | Nathan            | (15) |

- 14. Crabtree And Mills (14)
- 15. Blackie & The Rodeo Kings (13)  
Yael Wand (13)
- 16. Leonard Cohen (12)  
Harry Manx (12)
- 17. Kim Beggs (11)**  
Kendel Carson (11)  
Gordon Lightfoot (11)  
The McDades (11)  
Wyrd Sisters (11)
- 18. Cowboy Junkies (10)  
Linda McRae (10)

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Richard Gillmann compiles monthly surveys of international airplay on the folkdj-1 listserve. Archives of these can be found at <http://folkradio.org> Richard's complete lists can be found on his own website at <http://www.nwfolk.com> and I have used this source for the information above.

Richard created a couple of programs to analyze all playlists posted to the Folkdj-1 list. These programs require that playlists be submitted in a particular format to be counted. Because of this he estimates his programs pick up 60-80% of the total airplays posted. Richard tallies the most popular albums and songs as well as total play for individual performers. As can be seen, Richard cuts off his album and artist lists at 10 plays and the songs list at 5 plays.

Richard has consented to my pulling Canadian stats from his lists for which I offer a grateful tip 'o the hat.

cheers, Vic