

Hi Everyone,

Here are the August stats for Canadians' airplay on folkdj-1 playlists. This information has been sifted, with permission, from international lists compiled by Richard Gillmann. In August, Richard's lists were based on 13,436 airplays from 148 different DJ's.

The number in brackets indicates the number of plays that album, song or artist received in the month. Great Big Sea's album "Safe Upon The Shore" was the top Canadian album at #2 on the international list. Their song "Yankee Sailor" took the top Canadian song spot at #11. Great Big Sea earned the hat trick with the top Canadian artist slot, coming in at #4 on Richard's international list.

August: Top Canadian Albums

1. Great Big Sea "Safe Upon The Shore" (55)
2. **Kim Beggs** "**Blue Bones**" (18)
Ruth Moody "The Garden" (18)
3. Frazey Ford "Obadiah" (16)
4. Amelia Curran "Hunter Hunter" (13)
Oliver Schroer & The Stewed Tomatoes "Freedom Row" (13)
Craig Werth "The Spokes Man" (13)
5. Dala "Girls From The North Country" (11)
The Wailin' Jennys "Live At The Mauch Chunk Opera House" (11)
Will White "Rise Above" (11)

August: Top Canadian Songs

1. Great Big Sea "Yankee Sailor" (9)
2. Great Big Sea "Have A Cuppa Tea" (8)
3. Frazey Ford "Hey Little Mama" (7)
4. Great Big Sea "Gallows Pole" (6)
Great Big Sea "Good People" (6)
Great Big Sea "Long Life" (6)
5. **Kim Beggs** "**I'll Be Your Baby Tonight**" (5)
Frazey Ford "One More Cup Of Coffee" (5)
Great Big Sea "Safe Upon The Shore" (5)
Craig Werth "The Spokes Man" (5)
Will White "I'll Never Do Time Again" (5)

August: Top Canadian Artists

1. Great Big Sea (60)
2. **Kim Beggs** (22)
3. Joni Mitchell (21)

- 4. Dala (20)
 - Frazey Ford (20)
 - The Wailin' Jennys (20)
- 5. Ruth Moody (18)
- 6. Neil Young (17)
- 7. Amelia Curran (16)
- 8. Gordon Lightfoot (15)
 - Craig Werth (15)
- 9. Fred Eaglesmith (14)
- 10. David Francey (13)
 - Oliver Schroer & The Stewed Tomatoes (13)
- 11. The Duhks (12)
 - James Keelaghan (12)
 - Garnet Rogers (12)
- 12. The Cottars (11)
 - Finest Kind (11)
 - Lynn Miles (11)
 - Jory Nash (11)
 - Will White (11)
- 13. Bop Ensemble (10)
 - Kate & Anna McGarrigle (10)
 - Naming The Twins (10)
 - Stan Rogers (10)

Richard Gillmann compiles monthly surveys of international airplay on the folkdj-l 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-l 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