



# Lorna MacLachlan

Lorna MacLachlan has been writing, arranging, performing and teaching in and around the Calgary area for over 30 years. After completing a graduate degree in Composition and theory she embarked on a career as a composer providing award winning original music for Theatre, Dance and National media companies (CBC, Access Network) and a variety of commercial and artistic enterprises across the spectrum of music genres. She has recorded five full length albums of original music and has had support from FACTOR, the Alberta Foundation for the performing arts as well as the Canada Council. She continues to work on commissioned pieces for various groups with much of her focus going toward writing for her quintet. Her more recent compositions and performances in collaboration with the community include original music commissioned by Sturgess Architecture to present to the City of Calgary for the opening of the Water Centre. As well, Lorna composed and performed original music for the opening of Barb Scott park (commissioned by Creative Machines). Over the past year Lorna has performed numerous shows with her quintet (Richard Harding on Saxophones, Robin Tufts on drums, Andre Wickenheiser on trumpet and Stefano Valdo on bass) and in July the group spent a week together at Bottega Studio (Kelowna) recording her fifth CD of original music entitled "Feet On Ground". This CD is a journey, instrumentally and vocally with outstanding performances by all players.

Lorna has always been passionate about music education and believes strongly in helping to develop the talents of the next generation. She has taught privately as well as for the public and private school boards and has been recognized nationally for her dedication to excellence in music education.

**"Lorna is one of those rare artists who can write beautifully, play beautifully, and sing beautifully. She does everything with great care and musicality and her music draws you in like a best friend. From the strong writing and arranging in her instrumental tracks to the engaging tone and lyrics in her vocal pieces, it's music that pleases a listener with a penchant for beautifully crafted compositions and strongly musical performances."**

Michelle Grégoire



**"The freshness, honesty and depth of Lorna's work places her alongside some of Canada's finest in jazz and creative Music." - Laila Biali**

**"Lorna MacLachlan possesses an extraordinary passion for personal and artistic development..." - David Braid**