

SHARI ULRICH, WITH JULIA GRAFF AND BILL RUNGE



B.C. Entertainment Hall of Famer Shari Ulrich is a singer-songwriter, composer, arranger, producer and multi-instrumentalist. She has been a fixture on the West Coast since she first hit the stage with the Pied Pumkin in the '70s, wowing audiences with her finesse on violin, mandolin, flute, piano, sax, dulcimer and vocals. Shari has earned two Juno Awards and recorded several albums, both alone and with others. Her voice and charismatic stage presence have become integral to the culture of B.C. and Canada. Shari continues to write and perform across North America, often joined on stage by daughter Julia Graff.

Julia grew up with two musician parents, so it's no surprise that music has always been second nature to her. She began piano lessons at age four, violin at five and by 10 was joining the Pied Pumkin on stage for fiddle tunes. In 2003, she and Shari started performing together, a collaboration that both find tremendously rewarding. Julia has since added guitar and harmony vocals to her palette of instruments.

Rounding out this talented trio is Bill Runge, a successful performer, composer, arranger and orchestrator who is equally comfortable playing saxophone, flute, clarinet, electric and string bass, piano, guitar, pennywhistle or accordion. Bill is one of Vancouver's most respected jazz musicians, and has just released his fourth solo album, *A Tribute to the South American Masters*.