

Donna Brooks



When Donna Brooks was growing up in Florence, Alabama, she had no idea that the epicenter of musical cool was happening across the river in Muscle Shoals. But even kids who weren't aware that Aretha Franklin, Bob Dylan, or the Rolling Stones were stomping around the Quad-Cities area still managed to absorb the eclectic musical influences that floated down the Tennessee River. Country melodies and philosophy swirled in the air along with folk and rock and R & B and the blues. The Shoals loved music, not a genre.

So it was in this melodic crucible that Donna began writing, and her own work bears that same trademark blending of styles – she can sing like a bird or belt it like Bruce, and her songs might be reflective or rocking. But Birmingham's own singer-songwriter has spent years honing her songwriting craft, so you can trust that whichever approach she uses, it's going to be a good story or a funky groove.

Donna is currently recording a 9-track album called "Heart Like a Graveyard" that will be released in the summer of 2026. Her EP "It's Just Rain" was released in November 2024 and included tracks wrestling with Donna's diagnosis and triumphant battle with cancer. "Parking Lot Penny," her debut EP, demonstrated her lyrical depth and ability to play in different lanes.

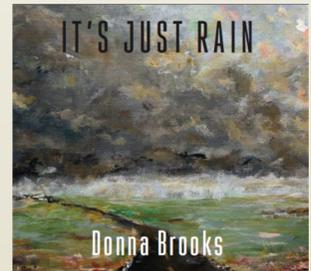
"Brooks's songs take me back to the sounds of early Mary Chapin Carpenter or Kathy Mattea...folky with a little twang and a lot of feeling. Brooks sings from somewhere deep inside."

-Scott Register, host of Reg's Coffee House & Birmingham Mountain Radio DJ

"With remarkable humor and insight, Donna Brooks stands firm and confident in the spotlight, moving through her engaging set of originals...she's a tall, pretty lady with steady, solid guitar skills, and a voice she ain't afraid to push into the upper registers. Her songs and stories are at once accessible, intimate, and whimsical."

-Keith Harrelson, owner of Moonlight on the Mountain in Birmingham, AL

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Track Listing:

- 1 – Fall For You
- 2 – This is the Ride
- 3 – Waterfall
- 4 – Second Guessing
- 5 – Unchained
- 6 – It's Just Rain
- 7 – I Am Afraid

Genre:

Americana
Alt-Folk
Alt-Country