BIO 50 words

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BIO Extended

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In September 2015 Helen launched her debut single and video *Lady Bird*, a duet with Spencer P. Jones (The Johnny's, The Beasts of Bourbon) as part of the Leaps and Bounds Music Festival, followed by the release of her debut album *Someday Love*, eleven tracks of lush country and soul infused pop featuring some of the finest musicians in Australia. *Someday Love* was launched at The Toff in Town, Melbourne and The Camelot Lounge, Sydney and was featured in The Age and The Sydney Morning Herald, receiving airplay on ABC Radio on The Inside Sleeve nationally, RRR on Off The Record and PBSFM on Acid Country in Melbourne, and 2SER on Dirt Music and FBI Radio on Tune Up in Sydney. The second single *True Love Travels On A Gravel Road*, featuring Kevin Bennett (The Flood) was released in 2016.

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Currently Helen is performing songs from *Someday Love*, and writing new material for her forthcoming second album.

"A beautiful selection of songs interpreted with great feeling and backed by some of Australia's finest musicians." - Brian Wise, Off The Record / RRR.

"Helen Ryder's debut album is way overdue. To me, it sounds like the soundtrack to a romantic movie: Old Hollywood – romantic, wistful and moving. The voice is exquisite and the playing is beautiful." - Jeff Jenkins, The Music / ABC radio.

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BIRDS https://youtu.be/S1LXYKOnHvI

LADY BIRD https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=EnYJ8bfDHcI

http://www.theage.com.au/entertainment/our-wrap-of-whats-on-around-town-20150906-gjexd4.html

http://www.smh.com.au/entertainment/music/the-shortlists-top-5-gigs-20150910-gjen6k.html