

# Mp3 Elana James - Country: Western Swing



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Hot Jazzy Texas Fiddle music for the 21st Century. This is the debut CD from the former fiddler from the Austin, Texas-based Western Swing phenomenon Hot Club of Cowtown and from Bob Dylan's touring band. 13 MP3 Songs COUNTRY: Western Swing, JAZZ: Swing/Big Band Details: ELANA JAMES

"[Elana's] throaty violin solos arrived in terse, epigrammatic phrases with a sprint, every so often, into chromatic harmony. She also sang in a breathy, un-self-conscious voice that made every double-entendre seductive." --Jon Pareles, New York Times

Formerly the driving force behind the hot jazz/Western swing trio Hot Club of Cowtown, Kansas-born violinist and singer Elana James is an internationally acclaimed performer who has been featured at countless major concerts and music festivals worldwide. After teaming up with Bob Dylan in 2005 as part of his touring band--the first female instrumentalist to do so in thirty years--she and her new trio "Elana James The Continental Two" were honored to be the opening act for Bob Dylan's 2006 summer US tour. Elana is a regular guest on NPR's A Prairie Home Companion and has been a featured performer on numerous television and radio shows including WSM's Grand Ole Opry, NPR's All Things Considered, World Cafe, Mountain Stage, E-Town Live, and many others. In the UK she has appeared on Later With Jools Holland, BBC Radio One and Radio Two and at numerous festivals including Glastonbury and the Cambridge Folk Festival. One of the youngest members ever to be inducted into the Texas Western Swing Hall of Fame, Elana makes her home in Austin, Texas. Favorite artists: Bob Wills, Blossom Dearie, Hugh Karl Farr, Hot Club of France, Joe Venuti Eddie Lang, Stuff Smith, Johnny Gimble, Mildred Bailey, David J. Grossman:)

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