

PREVIEW

# Harley financed album

Marny Duncan-Cary  
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Lumsden Centennial Hall  
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**M**arny Duncan-Cary is always looking for the next thing. The super-mom of three daughters is educated, a successful businesswoman, biker, yoga enthusiast, loving wife, dog owner, homemaker — and Saskatchewan's brightest new country singer-songwriter.

Although she chuckles about it now, the affable and bright 37-year-old also had to make the ultimate sacrifice in order to finance the production and manufacturing of an independent

debut CD (*Reason For Bein'*) which will be unveiled at Centennial Hall in her home town of Lumsden Sunday.

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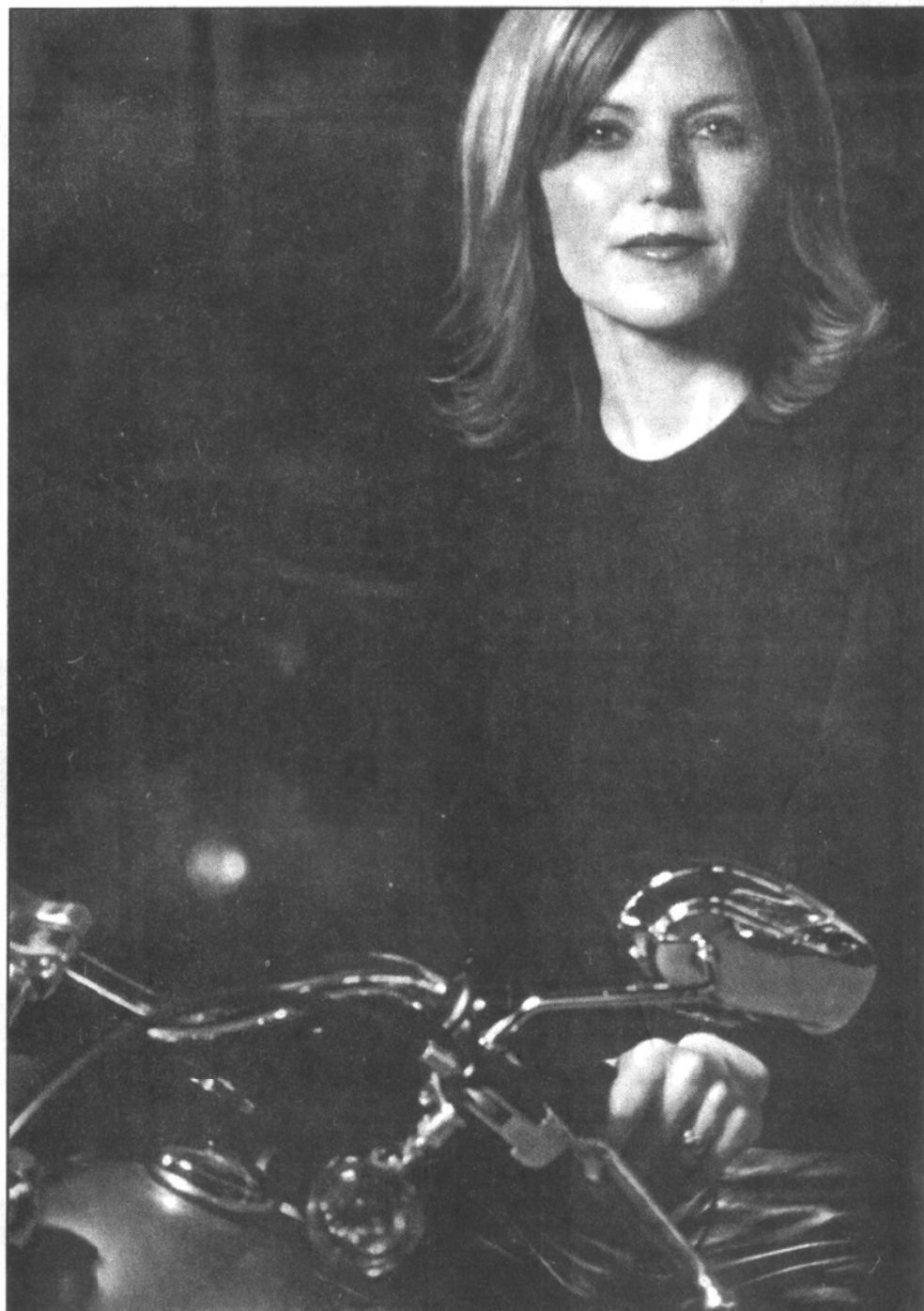
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“I sold my Harley,” she says, still trying to convince herself that it was the right thing to do. “But it's OK. My husband still has his, so I'm really still a biker. Besides, it was getting old and it was much too small anyway. I'll have another one and it will be bigger and better and newer.”

Her infectious enthusiasm has fuelled a late-blooming career that even Duncan-Cary herself might not have expected a few years ago. Singing songs about life and family and kids, chasing dreams and getting to the heart of the matter, she tells the tale of an empowered woman approaching middle age but never acting like it.

“This is something that came from inside,”

Duncan-Cary says of her relatively new but extremely intense passion. “If I didn't go into songwriting and performing, I



Saskatchewan singer, mother and biker Marny Duncan-Cary had to sell her Harley to finance the production and manufacturing of her debut album *Reason for Bein'*.

would probably... explode. I can't really explain it, but I had to do it. I had to do it.”

A lifelong music lover, Duncan-Cary caught the blues bug while waitressing at the old Georgia Hotel in downtown Regina, hearing and seeing the likes of Amos Garrett and Big Dave MacLean, but she has always gravitated to country and western — particularly the older stuff of Hank Williams, Tammy Wynette, Patsy Cline, Johnny Cash and Merle Haggard.

Duncan-Cary won a talent contest sponsored by CKRM Radio, and three years of hard work have culminated in reaching her dream of completing and releasing an album.

Unlike most of what's being heard on country

radio at the moment, *Reason For Bein'* is all about real life and real-life experience.

“Family is what I'm immersed in,” Duncan-Cary says. “My day-in, day-out is something that any mother can relate to. (My kids) are what I live for.”

“*Reason For Bein'* is about making time, enjoying where you are and making the best of what's going on around you — accepting what and where you are. It's a coming-of-age sort of thing for me. I'm starting to really feel comfortable with who I am. I'm comfortable with my journey and I like where I am going.”

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