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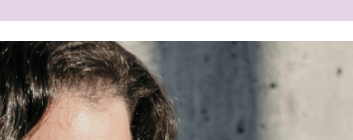
I'm so glad you're here! There are some women in country that you need to know about, some you already know who continue to kick ass, and some we're remembering fondly this week (one in a particularly "corny" way). So let's get to it!

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Jess Wright, Creator/Host

girl talks



FEATURED GIRL CRUSH

Dani Jack

Dani Jack was just getting some momentum in her career when the pandemic hit, and like all of us, she was forced to step back and figure things out. After a side hustle in balloon art turned into *the* hustle, and a long, unintended hiatus from music, during which she faced down some of the judgment that comes with being a woman in country music, she's back with a new EP honoring a late friend and mentor. [Watch the full interview here.](#)

The tea

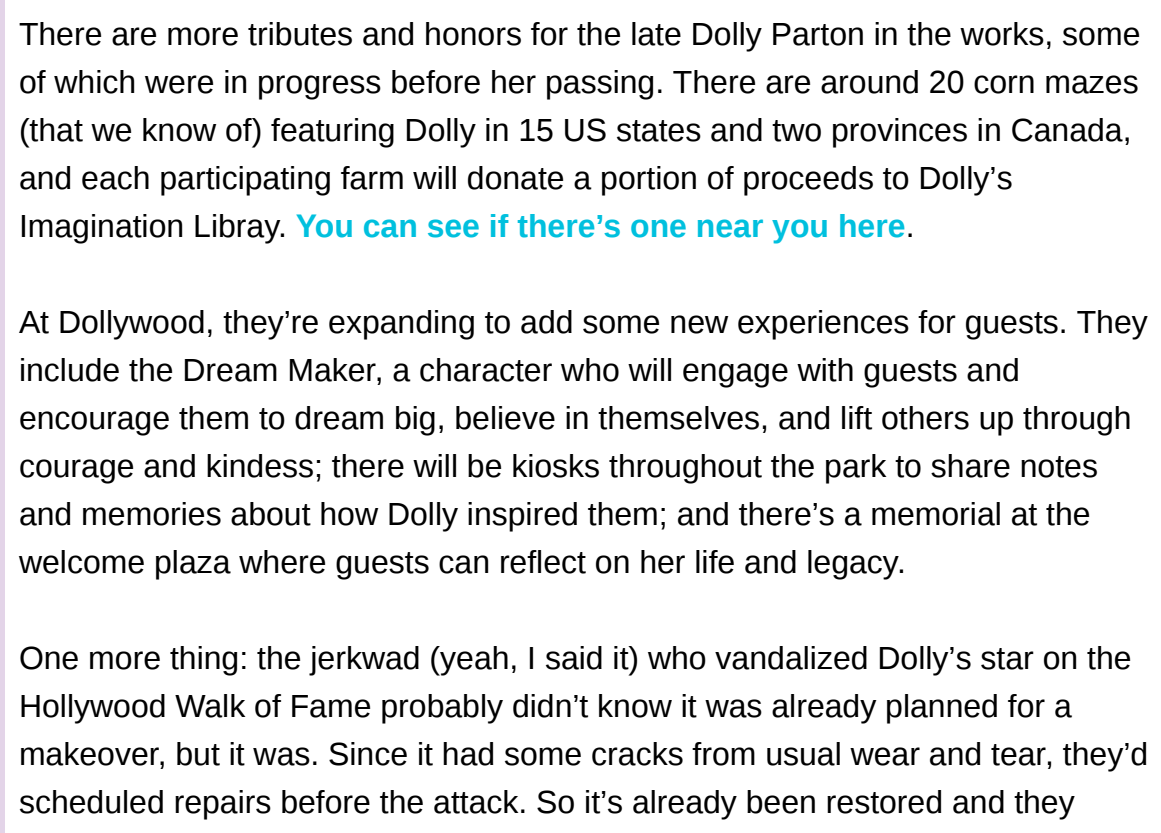


NEWS

Lainey's Cookin' With Grease

Lainey Wilson is gonna need a bigger trophy room. She's a finalist in the 2026 CMA International Awards. She's specifically up for the International Artist Achievement Award, which recognizes US-based artists for significant work outside the US. She's the only woman in the category. Ok, Lainey, represent!

Also, she's back as host at this year's *CMA Awards*. That's happening November 18 and if you can't be in Nashville to see it in person, you can watch it live on ABC or Disney+.



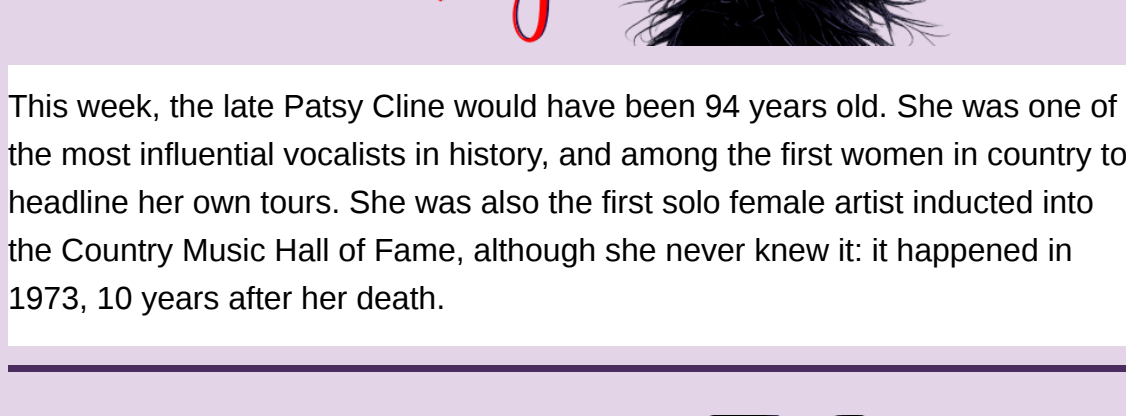
NEWS

Dolly Tributes Continue

There are more tributes and honors for the late Dolly Parton in the works, some of which were in progress before her passing. There are around 20 corn mazes (that we know of) featuring Dolly in 15 US states and two provinces in Canada, and each participating farm will donate a portion of proceeds to Dolly's Imagination Library. [You can see if there's one near you here.](#)

At Dollywood, they're expanding to add some new experiences for guests. They include the Dream Maker, a character who will engage with guests and encourage them to dream big, believe in themselves, and lift others up through courage and kindness; there will be kiosks throughout the park to share notes and memories about how Dolly inspired them; and there's a memorial at the welcome plaza where guests can reflect on her life and legacy.

One more thing: the jerkwad (yeah, I said it) who vandalized Dolly's star on the Hollywood Walk of Fame probably didn't know it was already planned for a makeover, but it was. Since it had some cracks from usual wear and tear, they'd scheduled repairs before the attack. So it's already been restored and they unveiled it on Friday. Suck it, vandal!



herstory



This week, the late Patsy Cline would have been 94 years old. She was one of the most influential vocalists in history, and among the first women in country to headline her own tours. She was also the first solo female artist inducted into the Country Music Hall of Fame, although she never knew it: it happened in 1973, 10 years after her death.

The drops

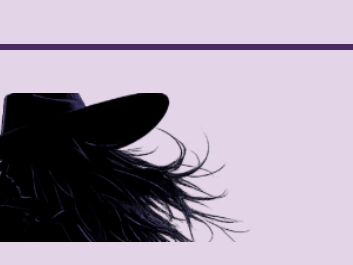


The freshest Girl Crush Country music:

- Ashley Anne [2016](#)
- Callie Twisselman [Country Girl](#)
- Dani Jack [Dear John](#) EP
- Ella Hooper [Cowboy Man](#)
- Elley Duhé [Wounded Angel](#)
- Gabby Barrett [Every Minute Of It](#)
- Grace Tyler [Better Than That](#)
- Halle Kearns [Message in a Bottle](#)
- Harper Grace [what was mine \(tennessee waltz\)](#)
- Jade Marie Patek [Heat](#)
- Jessi Alexander [Grease](#)
- Jordana Bryant [Hopeless Romantic](#)
- Karissa Ella [Working Man](#)
- Kassi Ashton [Chrome Pony](#)
- Kaylee Rose [Nebraska](#)
- Kenna Elpers [Used By You](#)
- Lanie Gardner [Faded Polaroids](#) (Deluxe)
- Macy Todd [luckiest girl alive](#)
- Maddie Font [Drive Me Around](#)
- Molly Tuttle [So Long Little Miss Sunshine](#) (Acoustic EP)
- Paige Plaisance [Swampwater](#)
- Paige Rose [Set the Pace](#)
- Sicily Rose [Family Tree](#)
- The Band Perry [Pistol](#)

Listen to all these songs, plus music from other kickass women, including all our featured guests, on the Girl Crush Country Playlist on [Spotify](#) and on [Pandora](#).

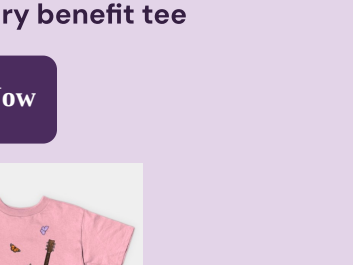
birthday queens



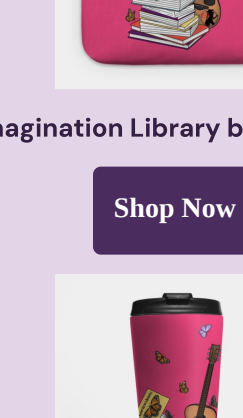
Girl Crushes celebrating birthdays this week:

- the late Patsy Cline
- Hailey Whitters
- Taylor-Rae
- Ashley Monroe
- Kelsea Ballerini
- Lily Rose

The fits

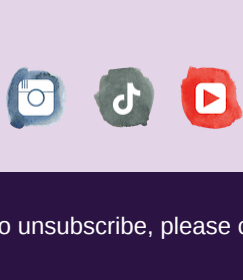


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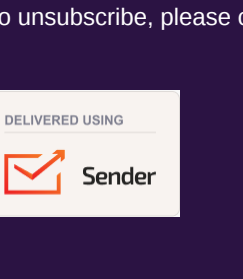
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