

About

The Carper Family has brought together three of Austin's most talented young country and bluegrass singers and pickers. Melissa Carper [vocals, bass], Beth Chrisman [vocals, fiddle], and Jenn Miori [vocals, guitar] each grew up singing and playing music with their families. By the time they created their new "family band" in 2010, each member had already led her own band and sat in with some of Austin's finest musicians. This particular collaboration has blended stunning three part harmonies into the finest old country, old-time, bluegrass, and swing tunes. Their boiled-down and intimate presentation highlights the quality of their united and solo voices, as well as drawing out each player's abilities with her accompanying instrument. In addition to bringing audiences their beautiful renditions of standards, the group also writes original songs that both honor and challenge the solid country traditions at the heart of their heart-felt sound.

Noteworthy Venues and Festivals

The Station Inn – Nashville, TN
The Cactus Cafe – Austin, Texas
The Continental Club – Austin, Texas
The Driskill Hotel – Austin, Texas
Fiddler's Green – Austin, Texas
The Ozark Folk Center – Mountain View, Arkansas
Davey's Uptown Rambler's Club – Kansas City, MO
The Bottleneck – Lawrence, Kansas
Americana Music Festival Showcasing Artist 2012 - Nashville, TN
SXSW Festival Showcasing Artist 2012 – Austin, TX
Fayetteville Roots Festival 2012– Fayetteville, AR
Seljord Country Music Festival 2012– Seljord, Norway
Vinstra Country Music Festival 2011– Vinstra, Norway
Risør Bluegrass Festival – Risør, Norway (CF Voted Best International Band at Risør in 2011.)
Austin String Band Festival 2011 – Austin, Texas
Kantishna Music Festival 2010– Denali Park, Alaska

Releases

Come See Yer Ol' Daddy – March 2010 (Self)
Back When – October 2011 (Self) **Awarded 'Best Country Album' by the 11th Annual Independent Music Awards.**



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Old-time Country, Bluegrass and Swing
Beth Chrisman, Melissa Carper, and Jenn Miori
carperfamilyband.com

What People Are Saying

"Now that's the most infectious stuff I've ever heard!"
–**Bill Cody, WSM 650 AM, Nashville, TN**

"In spite of their youth, Melissa Carper, Beth Chrisman, and Jenn Miori blend their voices immaculately... and write warm and enticing songs that sound like they were new 50 years ago."
–**Jim Caligiuri, Austin Chronicle**

"Now, to describe them. Think cowboy music meets old time country. Think the 1930's meeting 2012. Think western swing with a southern twang. They're a little like Rider's in the Sky, but a lot more like the Boswell Sisters, if the Boswells had come from Texas."
–**Jim Blum, Folk Alley**

"The Carper Family is my favorite Texas band, and I know my high opinion of them is shared by many. This three-woman group performs in a traditional acoustic style and their repertoire combines great country tunes with truly excellent original material. Melissa, Beth and Jenn take turns singing lead. Each possesses a distinctive voice, and their three part harmonies blend sweet-and-smooth with honky tonk for a gorgeous sound." –**Gary Mortensen, Texas Swing Kings and community radio host**

Booking

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