

The Tartans are Jesse, Yvonne, Brian and Lon. Jesse plays a little bit of everything, as the songs require. He does the most instrument juggling, and by the end of our (typically 20 minute) live sets, you'll have seen him play guitar, bass, keyboards, glockenspiel and fifteen seconds of harmonica. Yvonne plays bass on the songs that I sing, and, most of the time, I play bass on the songs that she sings. Yvonne plays keyboards, and a bit of melodica and glockenspiel, too. I play 12-string guitar most of the time, and Lon plays drums all the time, not because he's not great at other instruments, but because none of us can play drums.

Brian (The Tartans)

However, anyone who has seen them play live will surely attest to the fact that they are a band that deserves some serious attention. They use their nifty array of instruments (12 and 6 string guitars, rickenbacker bass, drums, keys, glockenspiel!, melodica!) to create charming, catchy, and perfectly classic sounding indiepop songs (I love accidental alliteration!) I can't imagine walking away from one of their shows feeling anything less than thrilled over the fact that there is a pop band this GOOD right in our own back yard so to speak.

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