

new wave...

The best new music in South Wales



Georgia Paterson

How would you describe your music to the uninitiated? Folky acoustic pop.

What is your earliest musical memory? Listening to The Beach Boys in the car on family day trips and my brother desperately trying to get us all to sing the harmonies.

Who was your earliest musical influence? Probably my brother. He used to play me all the music he loved – Simon & Garfunkel, Bob Dylan, The Byrds – and he taught me my first chords on the acoustic guitar.

What made you want to pick up an instrument and play? We were lucky enough to have a piano in the house and I begged my mother to let me have lessons. So when I was six she sent me to ask one of our neighbours if she would teach me.

What was the first record you bought? Apache Indian – Nuff Vibes EP (featuring the classic Boom Shack-A-Lack). I bought it on cassette from HMV in Cardiff.

What was the first gig you attended? I think it was East 17 in Cardiff Ice Rink – I was so cool!

What's the best gig you've been to? Karma (a singer/songwriter from South Africa) in the Half Moon in Putney. She was playing with a full band and it was just at that perfect moment for me where her album had come out and I was in that zone of being obsessed with it. More recently I saw KT Tunstall do a wonderful solo gig at St Davids Hall.

What's the best gig you've played? That would have to be Swindon & Wiltshire Pride last summer. It was the biggest crowd I've played to so far and it was such a lovely vibe there.

What's for the future? My EP Hear Your Voice will be out soon on iTunes, Amazon, Spotify. The lead track Not For Me (Na Na Nah) has a silly, summery video to go with it (featuring Gerry the giraffe!) which I think will be a perfect antidote to the January blues.

Where can we find out more about you? www.georgiapaterson.com

Calling all up-and-coming musicians... if you have a gig coming up or are releasing material and would like to be featured in this column, email Dave Owens at david.owens@mediawales.co.uk or call 029 2024 3628



www.twitter.com/asoundreaction