

SAMI AKBARI - BIO

"I'm always pleasantly surprised when a room full of people goes quiet when they hear me sing for the first time," mentions singer/songwriter Sami Akbari. After having seen her perform a few times, one quickly realizes that this is not an uncommon event. It is truly amazing to hear this big, incredible voice come from this little girl, no more than 5 feet tall. When one sees Sami Akbari perform for the first time, they will notice that not only are her songs beautifully heartbreaking with an almost magical essence to them, but she is also incredibly entertaining in between songs in ways that have had people describe her as a mix between a serious musician and Sarah Silverman.

Sami is currently promoting her new 4 song EP, "Somebody Else's Stranger" which was selected as a Best Buy's Indie Pick of the Week, and has been described as, "moody pop songs that vibe Dido, Tori Amos and Fiona Apple," by the highly regarded Village Voice as well as "a shimmering alt-pop coup. A complex palette of sounds [that create] the perfect backdrop to showcase her smooth, sultry vocals. These well-crafted, lovingly produced songs successfully bridge several genres," by Jessi Robertson of New York City's Local Correspondents and the blog, "Are You Drawing Pretty Things".

Sami has been performing around New York City for the past 2 years at places such as Rockwood Music Hall, Pianos and Crash Mansion amongst others. She has also performed in her hometown of Philadelphia where the roots of her musical beginnings are. She was honored to have been asked to perform at the Sam Waxman Cancer Research Foundation fundraising event in July that gave her an audience of about 500 people. She continues to play shows in New York and other cities, in support of her release "Somebody Else's Stranger".

Sami receives many emails from men and women alike telling her how much her music has effected them. After hearing this "ethereally lovely" (New York Cool Magazine) artist, you will most likely become one of these people. "Somebody Else's Stranger" can currently be purchased on DigStation and CdBaby.com as well as iTunes and other digital services.

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