



SHEL

SHEL is Sarah, Hannah, Eva and Liza, four classically trained musicians who happen to be sisters ranging in age from 18-23. From the artist colony of Fort Collins, Colorado, SHEL is sophisticated and youthful, emotional and lighthearted, classic and eccentric. SHEL's engaging live show is marked with a prodigy's creativity and a veteran's instinct for entertaining. Audiences delight with their unique songwriting style and fresh, new sound.

The Holbrook sisters grew up in a musical household and first appeared on the stage backing their singer-songwriter father, Andrew Holbrook. In 2005, the girls collaborated to form SHEL and now play and write all of their own music. Their new EP, "When the Dragon Came Down," was co-produced by SHEL and six-time Grammy award-winner, Brent Maher. The band has attracted the attention of such major media outlets as NPR's "eTown Live," and ABC.com; toured nationwide playing fairs and festivals including South by Southwest, International Folk Alliance, Lilith Fair, Four Corners Folk Festival and Cornerstone; and had one of their songs featured in Glade's Scented Oil Candles national TV ad campaign.

"SHEL has delivered one of the most impressive debuts of the year..."

Chris Douridas –KCRW/Los Angeles

"SHEL performs with the precision of a heat seeking missile."

Paul Kennerley, Award-winning Songwriter

**"My emerging artist pick for 2011. SHEL's synergy is infectious...
the future of music is in good hands."**

Jim Gillespie, Blissfest Music Organization



Sarah (Violin, Bass) Immensely gifted as a violinist and vocalist, Sarah also shines with her bass chops. She is the primary designer of SHEL's original graphics and videography. She is also the undisputed ambassador of fun at every show!



Hannah (Piano, Keyboards) An award-winning young composer and pianist, Hannah sings and helps arrange SHEL's unique vocal harmonies. She studied piano performance and composition at Colorado State University.



Eva (Mandolin, Electric Mandolin, Cello) Lead vocalist and one of the primary writers, Eva plays both acoustic and electric mandolin, and is involved in every phase of arranging and production. Eva records much of the band's tracks in their home studio.



Liza (Drums, Percussion) Equally proficient on the Djembe and Roland HandSonic drum, Liza's natural polyrhythmic ability was spotted at an early age. Her creative approach to percussion enables her to create the unique rhythmic patterns that help define SHEL's music.

VIDEO LINKS

Live at the Rutledge - The Battle of Evermore: [Click to view](#)

The Latest and Greatest Blueberry Rubber Band: [Click to view](#)

SHEL EPK: [Click to view](#)

SHEL National spot TV for Glade Scented Candles: [Click to view](#)

PRESS SAMPLER

NPR's eTown Live: [More info](#)

Local Ft. Collins group SHEL joins Los Lobos for their debut performance in eTown. These four, young, classically trained musicians (who happen to be sisters) have an eclectic sound that's both sophisticated and lighthearted...

KUNC Feature: [More info](#)

Rising Stars: How do up-and-coming music groups "get the edge" -- in a dog-eat-dog entertainment business? The budding success of Colorado's all-sister-quartet, SHEL, comes from the synergy of 1--their natural talent and classical training, 2--a Grammy-winning producer, and 3--lucky national exposure...

Durango Herald: [More info](#)

Early Saturday morning, four young Fort Collins sisters tromped onstage. Fiddle? Mandolin? Definitely an Irish band. Then their clear voices launched into Led Zeppelin's "Battle of Evermore" with the ferocity of a medieval army. The classically trained SHEL was this year's emerging artist...

Wichita Eagle: [More info](#)

Four sisters who make up the folk-pop group SHEL are breaking the "girl band" mold. They look different. They sound different. And they're seen in a different light...

SHEL at Taste of Fort Collins: [More info](#)

In general the festival itself isn't much different than our annual New West Fest with random merchandise, food, beer, and music, but there was something special about yesterday. A band named SHEL...they are AMAZING! I have a huge soft spot for talented female bands.

Denver's Westword: [More info](#)

What in the hell are they putting in the water up in Fort Collins? Seriously? Seems like every ten minutes or so our neighbors to the north are churning out another batch of noteworthy artists. Meet SHEL, the latest FoCo outfit to cast us under its spell...

Photography by Anthony Scarlati

