



## Media Release - Tuesday 6th July, 2010

Tasman Singer-Songwriter Aly Cook is one of 3 final nominees for New Zealand Female Country Artist of the Year 2010.

Aly has been previously nominated for APRA Country Song of the Year & an MLT Songwriting award finalist. Aly Cook's song Country Storm, co-written with David Erik ASCAP was recorded in Nashville and the accompanying video filmed in Nashville, Hollywood & Christchurch has been a constant on the playlists of both CMC Country Music Channel in Australia & on Sky 63 in NZ. The track included on NZOA Kiwi Hit disc and has gained airplay on NZ and Australian radio stations.

Aly features other kiwi artists on her own growing weekly live webcast on <http://www.kiwisofa.tv>. After raising US\$20k on Sellaband.com. Aly has been recording her debut album "Brand New Day" with Top Kiwi Producer Alan Jansson. The title track boasts a guest vocal from Kiwi music icon Sharon O'Neill & Many other high profile musicians appear on the forthcoming album.

Aly has performed in London, Nashville, Detroit & was the first Kiwi artist invited to perform the Halogaland Country Music Festival in Norway with other Kiwi Country artists now following in her steps to this festival. Aly's online marketing strategies see her now with a growing fanbase of thousands worldwide, who await the much anticipated release of her debut album later this year. This will be Aly's first time attending the National Country Music Awards.

Aly will travel to Hamilton for the National Country Music Awards to be held at the The Founders Theatre

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and will also perform at the Nominee's night at the Sky City Casino in Hamilton on Friday 13th of August, 2010

"I am thrilled and honoured to be a finalist"

"Thank you to all my fans and friends who have voted and supported me and thank you to the committee of the KiwiPro-am for choosing me, to be a finalist, and who work, so hard to help push forward recorded Kiwi Country Music. I also wish to congratulate all of the finalists and look forward to meeting you at the awards"

A thanks to both CMC Country in Australia & Sky 63 who have supported airplay of the video for the Nashville recorded Country Storm and I look forward to sharing the new videos from the new Aly COOK album with you. Without your ongoing support this nomination would not be possible

"See you in Hamilton -Aly"

More information here: Country Music Awards Website <http://www.kiwiproamcountrymusic.co.nz/index.html>

### The finalists for KiwiProAm are:-

#### Male Artist Of The Year

Dennis Marsh  
James Ray  
Trevor V Stevens

#### Female Artist Of The Year

Aly Cook  
Marian Burns  
Tami Neilson

#### Duo/Group Of The Year

Ashley Cooper & Michael Tipping  
Topp Twins  
The Heartleys

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