



# 2021 Electronic Press Kit

# Biography



Fun, inspiring, upbeat and positive are all characteristics that help make up the unique creative DNA of rising music artist and actress Carolina Hoyos. Dedicating years to evolving her personal sound, Carolina is set to unfold a fresh take on her alternative and pop sound. Carolina recently released "Mi Hombre, El Diablo" (the first single off A Girl I Know's EP Disco *Encontrado*) on June 19<sup>th</sup>. *Disco Encontrado* is the follow up album to 2016's The Lost Tapes and was produced by the help of fans who funded the project through an intense and personal Kickstarter campaign. Carolina enlisted the help of AGIK's longtime fans to create an album that could be dedicated to her father and his fight against cancer. Carolina is a first generation Peruvian-Ecuadorian Quechua-Inka Afro-Latina.

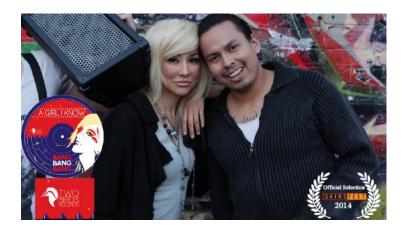
born in Washington, DC, and raised between the quiet country suburbs of Virginia and the gritty urban streets of Baltimore. Her childhood as a competitive classical concert pianist and elementary school chorus accompanist was enriched with acting and directing after she played a ship captain in a first grade play. Her days quickly filled up with local commercials and local theater as well as hosting and performing on DC/MD/VA cable access show *U.S. Kids.* While in her first year studying theater at Lee Strasberg Theatre Institute in NYC, she launched her TV career on *MTV Hits,* appearing on the pop culture talk show for three years. Her latest role includes singing and playing as Antonella in Nicolas Winding Refn's upcoming Amazon Prime series *Too Old To Die Young,* which earned her a coveted spot on the soundtrack album and a newfound appreciation for singing in Spanish. Recent Stage works include *Glass Ceilings, Good for Otto, Soledad, Match, Sincerely, Mom* and *Sitting Bull's Last Waltz.* Carolina has also appeared in Pharrell Williams' video for Oscar nominated song "Happy" from *Despicable Me 2.* 

Having shared the stage with Eddie Van Halen, Ryan Adams and Guns N Roses, Carolina dedicates time to many charities, including those supporting the fight against cancer, women's rights and mental health awareness. She is a member of the Native American theater ensemble Native Voices at The Autry.

### Filmmaker



"The Sun" - https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=tc44QJ2uULA



"Bang Bang " - https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=oFEqlURBRHI

As a filmmaker, Carolina has produced and directed several of her music videos and was named a fellow in LA Skins 2019 Native American TV Writers Lab. She regularly writes and performs with several live and digital improv and sketch comedy troupes, including former iOWest outfit Dad Jeans and Nightpantz. Carolina is in development to direct *Skylight*, a dramedy about an estranged grieving family coming together to heal their wounds at the behest of their loved one's spirit. She has begun research on an international political drama based on her family's involvement in world politics from the civil rights movement to the Gulf War and continues to develop sitcom pilot Dad Pad and crime drama Queen Pins.

As an out and proud Queer woman who openly discusses her struggles with chronic PTSD, Carolina's work reflects the world from her purple hued view in order to normalize mental health discussions and give a voice and representation to those who aren't able to come out safely.

# **Current Projects**



#### *Too Old To Die Young* - on Amazon Prime <u>http://amazon.com/gp/video/detail/B07Q5B929C</u>

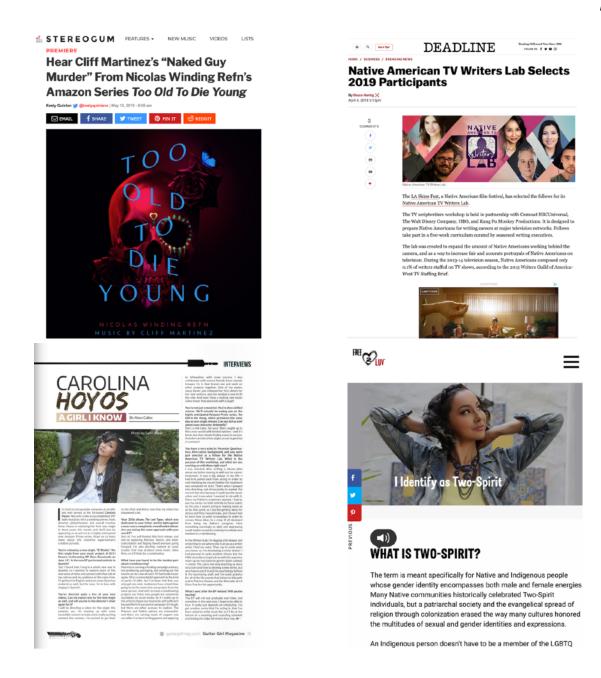


*Too Old To Die Young* - Soundtrack out now on Milan Records (Track #25) <u>https://www.stereogum.com/2043173/cliff-martinez-too-old-to-die-young/premiere</u> <u>http://apple.co/2IM9mM8</u>



*Blackwater* - LA Premiere Nov 22 @ Academy of Motion Pictures Arts <u>http://laskinsfest.com/event/blackwater</u> <u>https://www.facebook.com/BlackwaterWebseries</u>

#### Press



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"If you're to scroll all the way down to the bottom of the page you're reading at present, to the left you'll note an homage to two people who inspired TVD. You'll recognize too then why Carolina Hoyos' Kickstarter campaign struck a chord with us here at the HQ. The upside? There's still time to extend the good karma to this warm, talented performer. The Kickstarter campaign for "The Lost Tapes" extends until Saturday, December 6, 2014, and there's some nifty incentives for those of you interested in the vinyl aspect of this project. Probably because you're reading this now."

#### Jon Meyers - The Vinyl District

"A Girl I Know, along with the help of Jeremiah Bitsui (known from the critically acclaimed series Breaking Bad), join forces with the infamous Dirticow, who remixes the third in the series of their debut hit, "Bang Bang Bang." Dirticow has worked with Tiesto and Crystal Method as well as created music for movies, TV shows, and video games such as Fast And Furious, Saturday Night Live, Behind Enemy Lines, and more. A Girl I Know has been gaining a great deal of critical attention and have already gone viral with their colorful new video for the original track. With a sound that blends Hoyos's pop-perfect voice with beats reminiscent of the lovechild of M.I.A. and Beck, Dirticow takes the song to a whole new level. Smooth tones fill the room as this stunning remix will quickly grab the attention of your ears. The combination of Dirticow and A Girl I Know is one word: lethal."

Chris - Culture Brats

""My earliest record collection included classics such as Run DMC, Led Zeppelin, The Beatles, Village People, Hendrix, even the Godfather soundtrack—thanks to my oldest brother's budding relationship with CDs." "But it was at (now defunct) Twelve Inch Dance Records in Dupont Circle and Yoshitoshi (now only a record label) in Georgetown that I remember how eager I was to mix Sasha's "Be as One" with all of Pink Floyd's Dark Side of the Moon. Of all the material possessions I've ditched over the years, I still have these (and a box of old 45s I adopted) even though I haven't owned a working record player in years! —Carolina Hoyos It's a little Beck. It's a little M.I.A. And it's a whole lot remixed courtesy of Dirty Dave. We are pleased to debut the remix of A Girl I Know's "Bang, Bang, Bang" by Dirty Dave. Joined by Jeremiah Bitsui from Breaking Bad on today's exclusive TVD premiere."

#### Jon Meyers - The Vinyl District

"A Girl I Know's "Bang Bang Bang" has recently racked up 45,000 Youtube hits in over a month. It's a collaboration between actress Carolina Hoyos, actor Ken Franklin, and Jeremiah Bitsui who played Victor on Breaking Bad. The Invader! is the project of 22-year old Alejo Gonzales who hails from South Florida. Check out The Invader! remix of "Bang Bang Bang" here."

Matt Satterfield - Leading Us Absurd

"Beats, synths, an alluring female vocal that takes no prisoners...and you're hooked. With catchy style and infectious joy throughout the video, if you're not smiling by the end of this song, we know you have no soul."

Jennifer - The Owl Mag

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