## **Tess Anderson Bio 2021**

Vancouver-based singer-songwriter Tess Anderson enchants audiences with her candid performances. Open and unapologetic, she invites listeners into her most vulnerable moments through honest and authentic storytelling. Whether alone on stage with nothing but a keyboard and a guitar, or backed by a full band, she's been known to silence crowds with her captivating musical presence. Pulling inspiration everywhere from old-school jazz standards to modern pop, her sound is heavily driven by her unmistakable voice.

Growing up in Victoria, BC, Tess's debut into the music industry began at the rookie age of 12. Training as a vocalist and pianist, she began songwriting as a form of self expression, finding numerous performance opportunities at a young age. By 15 she had recorded and released a self-produced 7-song album (under a different alias), quickly followed by her first sold-out show and national radio play on CBC. Moving to Vancouver in 2016 to pursue her career further, she received a diploma in songwriting, audio engineering, and music production. Tess went on to sign her first record deal with indie label BCR in 2019, become a finalist in the 2020 Canadian Songwriter Challenge, receive a 2021 Amplify BC Grant for her upcoming release, and build an impressive catalogue of original material.

With 42 live shows in 2019, and two single releases, Tess continues to build a name for herself in the Vancouver music scene. With a recent focus on collaboration, her latest endeavours include working with a range of local and international songwriters and producers, while spending time in the recording studio gearing up for an independent EP release coming summer 2021. With over ten years of songwriting and performance experience, her momentum and drive are only amplifying.