

Ulali



Ulali is an all-Native women's a cappella group that was founded in 1987. Its original members include Pura Fé, Jennifer Kreisberg, and Soni Moreno and its current members include Pura Fé (Tuscarora), Layla Locklear (Tuscarora), and Charly Lowry (Tuscarora)^{1,2}. They created the group to make music featuring traditional roots and personal contemporary styles and have created a new genre of Indigenous music², inspiring many others to create their own Indigenous women's groups². They are well known for incorporating elements of blue-grass, jazz, soul, and folk within their music¹. They also address Indigenous struggles and accomplishments within their performances, which are both energetic and informative². They have performed around the world – Germany, Italy, Brazil, Corsica, Portugal, and Japan, as well as North American venues such as Woodstock 94, the 1996 Olympics in Atlanta, the 1997 Smithsonian's Folkways 50th Anniversary Gala at Carnegie Hall, the Kennedy Center, Lincoln Center, the 1998 WOMAD Festival in Seattle, the 1998 New Orleans Jazz & Heritage Festival, the Hartford 1999 World Festival of Sacred Music at the Hollywood Bowl, Red Solstice 2000 in Montreal, the Britt Festival 2000 in Oregon, V-Day 2001 at Madison Square Garden, the 2001 New Orleans Jazz & Heritage Festival, and the 2002 Olympics in Salt Lake City². They also travel and perform at Native communities across the U.S., Canada, and Central and South America². Each member was awarded with the "Eagle Spirit Award" at the 25th Annual American Indian Film Festival in San Francisco, CA in 2000². Ulali can be heard on Native radio stations and at powwows². Ulali also was featured in the 2017 documentary Rumble: The Indians Who Rocked The World².

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Citations

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