Nikki Morgan - Artist Bio (Long)

Mixing captivating melodies with insightful lyrics, Nikki Morgan finds a way to bind it all together with a voice full of passion and energy. A native to North Carolina, this singer-songwriter knows how to capture the essence of Carolina soul.

Unlike many of her peers, Nikki did not discover a passion for creating music until later in life. As the daughter of a pastor, Nikki grew up listening to Contemporary Christian and Traditional Gospel music. She participated in grade school choirs and bands, but her interest in music didn't come until her college years, when she first discovered secular bands like The Dixie Chicks and The Supremes. From there, it didn't take long for her musical interests to expand and she quickly took a liking to many forms of music in various genres. Nevertheless, country and traditional soul styles always seemed to resonate with her the most.

Despite her newly discovered love for music, Nikki spent her first few years after college in Chicago as an actor. It wasn't until 2015 that she decided to finally listen to the ever growing voice inside of her, buy a guitar, and commit herself to giving music a genuine try.

As a songwriter and musician Nikki has found some of her biggest influence from legends such as Dolly Parton, Johnny Cash, and Etta James; as well as contemporary artists like Lianne La Havas. Her style finds an elegant blend of Americana, Country, and Soul. Her lyrics layer themselves with themes of grace while unapologetically exploring the highs and lows of life. And it is clear that each performances is fueled with a genuine desire to connect with her audience.

Since her start Nikki Morgan has had the pleasure of opening for acts such as Jaime Wyatt, Sean Watkins, and Boo Ray. She has been a 1st place winner of the Uncommon Ground Singer-Songwriter competition, and has been featured in Voyage Chicago, as well as WLIP radio in Wisconsin. Her debut EP "Broken Parts," was released in November 2018; and she is currently in the studio working on her next project set to be released in the Summer of 2019.