



Sonya Cohen Cramer

You've Been a Friend to Me

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Sonya Cohen Cramer (1965–2015) was raised in a family committed to revitalizing the oldest songs of the American musical canon. Like her father John Cohen of The New Lost City Ramblers, Sonya shared a belief in the transformative qualities of folk songs and traditional ballads. *You've Been a Friend to Me* is the first collection featuring Sonya's singing, and it reveals the full arc of her musical life through collaborations with her aunt Peggy Seeger, uncle Pete Seeger, Elizabeth Mitchell, Daniel Littleton, and the folk-fusion group Last Forever. While shaped by the roots of her family tree, the radiating and clear sound of Sonya's voice is distinctly her own.

Band member

Sonya Cohen Cramer Vocals

Guest artist

Abby Newton cello, backing vocals
Bill Ruyle hammer dulcimer, harmonium, piano, snare drum, bass drum
Bill Vanaver autoharp
Carolyn Dutton violin
Daniel Littleton acoustic guitar, vocals
Dick Connette spinet, piano, banjo
Elizabeth Mitchell vocals, guitar, harmonium
Erik Friedlander cello
Jacob Silver bass
James O'Connor trumpet
Jay Ungar fiddle
Jeff Berman lap dulcimer
Kevin Kuhn 6- and 12-string acoustic guitars, mandolin
Lee Falco drums
Marco Benevento piano
Marshall Coid violin
Molly Mason bass
Peggy Seeger Piano
Penny Seeger Cohen Vocals
Pete Seeger Guitar
Ruthy Ungar harmony vocals
Steve Elson piccolo
Tania Elizabeth fiddle

Tracklist

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| 1. | Oh, Blue
M: Traditional | 02:04 |
| 2. | A Squirrel Is A Pretty Thing | 01:38 |

	M: Traditional	
3.	When I Was Most Beautiful	02:56
	M: Pete Seeger T: Noriko Ibaragi	
4.	Hide And Seek	03:24
	M: Dick Connette	
5.	In The Pines	02:35
	M: Traditional	
6.	Louis Collins_Spike Driver Blues	03:50
	M: Traditional	
7.	All For You	05:45
	M: Dick Connette	
8.	You'Ve Been A Friend To Me	03:24
	M: William S. Hays)	
9.	Black Jack Davey	05:23
	M: Traditional	
10.	No Place To Fall	03:06
	M: Townes Van Zandt	
11.	Oh The Wind And Rain	03:32
	M: Traditional	
12.	The Blacksmith	03:15
	M: Traditional	
13.	Singing My Troubles Away	02:57
	M: Alton Delmore/Rabon Delmore	
14.	Lowlands	05:04
	M: Traditional	
15.	The Blackest Crow	02:16
	M: Traditional	
16.	Sidewalk Wildflower	04:46
	M: Sonya Cohen Cramer	
17.	A Life That's Good (Home Recording)	03:08
	M: Ashley Monroe/Sarah Siskind	