
Subject: Will Folk Music Gradually Fade?

Posted by [Phonetic Ear](#) on Sat, 06 Nov 2021 05:14:22 GMT

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Don't you think this genre might fade if it doesn't receive the attention it deserves? It is the kind of music you won't find in mainstream music. There's also the factor of the availability of musical instruments. Companies might close down with limited customers. What's the outlook on this music genre?

Subject: Re: Will Folk Music Gradually Fade?

Posted by [Rusty](#) on Sat, 06 Nov 2021 13:32:03 GMT

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It may never reach it's heyday as it was in the 1960's but like other genres such as bluegrass should be maintained by a smaller segment of society. There is no loss of availability to find and listen to many old genres of music today. Much more than ever I'd recon. I don't think there's any lack of acoustic instruments being made yet.

There's a certain charm to old timey music. Like old Gid Tanner & His Skillet Lickers.

Subject: Re: Will Folk Music Gradually Fade?

Posted by [Leot55](#) on Wed, 10 Nov 2021 22:45:45 GMT

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Fade completely? No way! It will never be as popular as it once was, but it's too easy to store digital music on the cheap for any genre to become extinct. Folk music will always be around.

Subject: Re: Will Folk Music Gradually Fade?

Posted by [Souldude](#) on Thu, 11 Nov 2021 14:30:16 GMT

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Thanks to the internet, there may even be a forum for folk music. I don't think modernity will overpower traditional music. One of the reasons is the competitions held for that. It might even trend as soon as it gains attention.

Subject: Re: Will Folk Music Gradually Fade?

Posted by [LCallan](#) on Fri, 12 Nov 2021 03:35:08 GMT

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It's still pretty popular in some places like the Appalachian Region. Besides, it seems like popular genres are cyclical. What once was old will come back into popularity. It might be slightly

modernized, though.

Subject: Re: Will Folk Music Gradually Fade?
Posted by [Spotifier](#) on Fri, 18 Mar 2022 15:39:46 GMT
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I bet it won't fade because genres also have a long history. Some things about it might change since it happens that society is also a factor when making music. However, folk music won't disappear just like that.

Subject: Re: Will Folk Music Gradually Fade?
Posted by [gofar99](#) on Sat, 19 Mar 2022 02:21:45 GMT
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Hi, I doubt it will fade either. A lot now is listed in the "pop" category. It may evolve a bit, but as long as there are folks that like it, it will continue. One thing related is that many of the musicians of the folk genre have passed away. The newer ones are not familiar to many older listeners. Some still are doing music....Emily Harris, Mark Knofler, Judy Collins, etc. New groups like Blue Mountain, Monsters of Folk and several from Canada sound a lot like folk music to me. I was there in the early 60s and saw several of them live.

Subject: Re: Will Folk Music Gradually Fade?
Posted by [Miami](#) on Tue, 22 Mar 2022 01:22:04 GMT
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Folk won't die. There will always be an audience for that. If you gave Bob Dylan an acoustic guitar to play one of his newer songs on, it would be folk music.

Subject: Re: Will Folk Music Gradually Fade?
Posted by [The Noise](#) on Sun, 03 Apr 2022 22:58:48 GMT
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I don't think folk music will fade. It reached its peak in the 60's when someone gave a 50's beatnik a guitar, but even then it wasn't mainstream. It was just a new form of music that drew an audience. It will always be that, really.

Subject: Re: Will Folk Music Gradually Fade?
Posted by [Madison](#) on Sat, 23 Apr 2022 13:49:54 GMT
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What's odd is that I don't want to listen to it, at least not the primitive stuff, but I don't want it to disappear either. I guess because it's part of our history.

Subject: Re: Will Folk Music Gradually Fade?
Posted by [Acacia](#) on Sun, 24 Apr 2022 02:05:35 GMT
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I hope not. There's a chance it won't be as famous because of mainstream music. Over the years, folk music's popularity will depend on social media and the people who focus on that niche.

Subject: Re: Will Folk Music Gradually Fade?
Posted by [billy37](#) on Thu, 16 Jun 2022 10:55:47 GMT
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The Noise wrote on Sun, 03 April 2022 17:58I don't think folk music will fade. It reached its peak in the 60's when someone gave a 50's beatnik a guitar, but even then it wasn't mainstream. It was just a new form of music that drew an audience. It will always be that, really.
I also think that folk music will not fade. Even now I can see that it is popular among my children's friends to play bass guitar, piano and even violin. I heard that playing and listening to classical music helps developing brain (sharing an interesting source), so I think it will stay with us no matter what. I am glad that my son recently has started playing the bass guitar (recommend this one). We are more than satisfied with the sound. Now we have even more atmospheric evenings among family.

Subject: Re: Will Folk Music Gradually Fade?
Posted by [Rusty](#) on Thu, 16 Jun 2022 17:10:40 GMT
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The folk music that peaked in the 60's was then as now a continuation from folk music that came from immigration from the old countries. Country music and blues music as well. So it should be kept preserved as important culture for our society. I liked the folk music that came out of Woodie Guthrie era that influenced the 60's artists. Some of which I found to be pretty corny. But Bob Dylan, Joan Baez shifted that clean cut image more back towards the activism of Woodie Guthrie. There was a British folk scene that tapped into their musical minstrels from way back. The artist Richard Thompson came out of that scene in the group Fairport Convention. He's gone on to produce some beautifully poignant music like 1952 Vincent Black Lightning.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5yw2yKNLEPc>

Subject: Re: Will Folk Music Gradually Fade?

Posted by [Dropuc](#) on Tue, 05 Jul 2022 12:19:44 GMT

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I think folk music will fade and remain only in literature studies like many other traditions. It is rare to hear it played today, so how can we expect to learn it? As we continue embracing contemporary music in droves, there will be a generation and era where the epitaph goes - "Here lays Folk."

Subject: Re: Will Folk Music Gradually Fade?

Posted by [Rusty](#) on Tue, 05 Jul 2022 13:49:10 GMT

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It ain't dead yet. <https://www.jonesaroundtheworld.com/folk-festivals/>

Subject: Re: Will Folk Music Gradually Fade?

Posted by [noodle](#) on Wed, 22 Feb 2023 19:33:10 GMT

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Looking at the thread title, it seems like folk has been somewhat faded for a few decades, but it's far from dead. I'm thinking of "Soon May the Wellerman Come" and how it went viral on Tik Tok in 2021.

Subject: Re: Will Folk Music Gradually Fade?

Posted by [gofar99](#) on Thu, 23 Feb 2023 01:44:52 GMT

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Hi, As long as there are acoustic guitars and banjos there will be folk music. Likely different from the stuff of the 60's though.

Subject: Re: Will Folk Music Gradually Fade?

Posted by [The Noise](#) on Wed, 01 Nov 2023 03:02:16 GMT

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It's not something I listen to either, but I do listen to a lot of Bob Dylan. Dylan is a master who was influenced by folk so who knows if another like Dylan will come along who is also influenced by folk.

It should stay because of the influence it has on musicians.

Subject: Re: Will Folk Music Gradually Fade?

Posted by [noodle](#) on Thu, 23 Nov 2023 02:49:35 GMT

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It can be tough to draw the line between genres, depending on the artist. Neil Young comes to mind. Is "Heart of Gold" truly folk?
