



The Shelbys

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The Shelbys, a four-piece band from the piedmont area of North Carolina, plays a range of material from American musical traditions that draws from sources in pre-war country, blues and gospel and country and rhythm & blues classics from the 40s and 50s.

The Shelbys came together after three of the members, Chip Shelby, Lanelle Davis and John Worthington performed in the stage band for the musical, "Good Ole' Girls. Chip, Lanelle and John had the pleasure of working with writers, Lee Smith, Jill McCorkle and singer/ songwriters, Marshall Chapman and Matraca Berg during the development of the original production. Each of the band members has 20 - 30 years experience in a variety of musical styles including bluegrass, rock & roll, blues, and old-time country. A highlight of **The Shelbys** is the vocal abilities of each of the members which results in exciting duets, trios and quartettes.

Band members are: Lanelle Davis -string bass, Virginia Ryan - acoustic guitar, Chip Shelby - drums and John Worthington - guitar, mandolin. **The Shelbys** will provide roots music audiences with a varied repertoire in an acoustic and/or electric setting. The band's renditions of classics by artists such as Memphis Minnie, George Jones, Screamin' Jay Hawkins, Hank Williams, and Jimmy Reed assure that listeners and dancers have an exciting honky-tonk, barrel-house experience.