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Review

This book is not to be missed by anyone interested in country or roots music, and the land that spawned it.
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Well-documented and with many photographs of the performers, this volume adds a much-needed balance to the often male-dominated literature.
--*College & Research Library News*

Finding Her Voice blends interviews, stunning pictures and concise, incisive summations into the most thorough and comprehensive book ever penned on women in country music.
--*The City Paper* (Nashville, Tenn.)

In their sweeping survey, anthropologist Bufwack and music writer Oermann detail an integral interconnection between these women and the music they nurtured and influenced, weaving together a single tale of working women and country music. . . . A lively story of struggle and ultimate survival.
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