



Madison steps up in first album

'Shy girl' throwing a release party at Tahiti Nui tonight



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HANAIEI — Madison is growing up, literally and professionally. And a big party is planned for tonight at Hanalei's Tahiti Nui to celebrate "I'm just a girl," the North Shore singer's first album.

"She just had her birthday," said Tonni Riley, Madison's grandmother and manager. "She turned 14 in June."

Riley, who Madison affectionately calls her "grammager," said everyone is excited to finally be ready to launch Madison's career into the next phase.

Madison has been enchanting locals and visitors with her velvety voice every Wednesday and Saturday evening at a casual setting at Princeville Center. Some her best original songs, already released on her official website and on iTunes, include "Shy girl," "Those boys," "I'm just a girl," "My song" and "Hanalei tears."

"This event should be a very special night of entertainment," said Riley, adding that Madison will be backed up by "awesome musician-friends" such as Jeff Caldwell, Chelsey Forrest, Kirk, Tora and Eli Smart and a guest appearance by Kepa Kruse.

Some of the musicians playing at Tahiti Nui tonight also participated in Madison's first CD.

"It should be a wonderful night of celebration and gathering around our special girl," Riley said.

Going forward, Madison will start performing weekly at different venues on Kaua'i, including the St. Regis Resort in Princeville, the Eastside Restaurant in Old Kapa'a Town, The Kaua'i Beach Resort in Lihu'e and in a few other places yet to be announced.

The event, from 7 to 9 p.m., is open to the public, and children are also welcome.

"Tickets are \$10 for adults and \$5 for children," Riley said.

For more information about the event visit www.madisonparadisefound.com. Madison's first CD will be available at the website Saturday and at the event tonight. All of "I'm just a girl" will also be released individually on iTunes.

Tahiti Nui is in the heart of Hanalei, right before Ching Young Village.