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Connie returns from successful US tour

Connie Kis Andersen has returned from a successful five week solo tour in the United States.

And though it's been less than a week, she is already finalising plans for her visit to Tamworth in January 2008.

"Each time I visit the US, the experience seems to be greater than the last," she said. "I would rate it as the best yet – even if it was very hard work."

In support of her US radio single *Wicked Game*, and to promote her new album, *Once Again*, Connie Kis drove more than 7,000 km through six US states visiting radio stations and performing on 12 different showcases.

"Highlights of the tour were many," says Connie, "with each week offering something special, from guest performances at Nashville and Smoky Mountains Cowboy churches, the Midnight Jamboree, The Bluebird Café, Tootsies, the Australian Festival in Florida, Veets Bar and Grill and University Coffee House performances (in Mobile, Alabama, as special guest of recording artist Tim Kinsey), Nashville Airport, several songwriter rounds in Nashville, to going back to school and studying the craft of songwriting with master teachers from the Nashville Songwriters Association International.

"The songwriting workshop was fantastic," Connie said, "just what I needed to get inspired and lift my songwriting skills to the next level.

"With many of the performances being filmed, broadcast and/or telecast live, along with print media coverage, I was under pressure to do Australia proud, and judging from the feedback I received, it seems I did."

During her visit to Tamworth 2008, Connie will be a host on the Country Music Express (train) and perform guest spots at the festival, as well as run a voice workshop at the Musicians Headquarters on "protective vocal technique".

"I am really looking forward to being a host on the train and to catching up with radio presenters and fans who have been so supportive of not only my current Australian single, but my music in general.

Photo: Connie performs on America's Midnight Jamboree.

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