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Amanda Daughtry
Radio Personality
WQDR 94.7

“You’re right where you need to be—this job is perfect for you.”

That’s what everyone told Amanda Daughtry when she joined the Q Morning Crew in 2021, and boy, were they right!

Amanda has been head-over-boots in love with country music since she was 7 years old. From singing and songwriting to now waking up the Triangle every morning on 94.7 QDR, she says, “You can’t escape what you love.” And just like a country fairy tale, her music story keeps on playin’.



Known for being “real” and connecting with listeners like a trusted friend, Amanda’s warmth (and occasional sass!) make mornings brighter and way more fun. Her big heart fuels community projects and local causes, while her spicy humor keeps her co-host Mike Wheless—and everyone else—on their toes. Together, they’re the perfect recipe for your morning drive routine.

Born and raised in Johnston County (JOCO pride!), Amanda chased her dreams all the way to Nashville, where she spent nearly a decade as a working singer-songwriter. She even toured with Alan Jackson and has the stories to prove it! Eventually, she followed her heart back home to North Carolina to start a new chapter—this time behind a different microphone.

Now in her fabulous 40s, Amanda has reinvented herself more times than she can count—and she’s not done yet! She plans to share her personal recipe for “changing it up” and thriving in a fast-paced world, proving that it’s never too late to chase what sets your soul on fire.

When she’s not keeping Mike straight or cracking up QDR listeners, you’ll catch her planning her fairy tale wedding with her soul mate Ryan, and you will also find her advocating for her son Jackson, who has Autism.