

Cherchez les Femmes



Sunday night, Kelly Clarkson and Tori Amos will perform a football field or so apart from each other, Clarkson at the Verizon Wireless Theater and Amos at Jones Hall. Besides enjoying considerable critical and commercial success, both women have legitimate claims to the title of pop's reigning drama queen (non-Britney division), so the *Press* put together this handy chart to help tell them apart. — **Chris Gray**



Kelly Clarkson

Tori Amos

	Kelly Clarkson	Tori Amos
Background	Ex-waitress from southern Fort Worth suburb Burleson, age 25	Methodist preacher's daughter from Newton, North Carolina, age 44
Skeleton in closet	<i>American Idol</i> Season 1 winner (2002)	Lead singer, '80s hair-metal band Y Kant Tori Read
Style	Down-home everygal after Hot Topic makeover	Confessional, theatrical Alpha Female/Faerie Queen
Typical subjects	Betrayal, Revenge, Emancipation, Empowerment	Betrayal, Revenge, Emancipation, Empowerment
Sample lyric	"I can't breathe, no I can't sleep, I'm barely hangin' on" ("Behind These Hazel Eyes")	"Give me life, give me pain, give me myself again" ("Little Earthquakes")
Recent drama	Clashed with label boss Clive Davis over artistic control of latest LP <i>My December</i>	Songs on new album <i>American Doll Posse</i> alternate between five mythology-inspired personalities
Typical fan	High school seniors; aging, slightly creepy indie-rock dudes	Whole Foods shoppers; undergrad poetry majors; aging, slightly creepy indie-rock dudes