

RS Country Music Picks: Week of August 24th

New songs by Lera Lynn, Robert Cray, and Jonathan Terrell

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Lera Lynn's new song "Are You Listening?" is one of our country music and Americana picks for this week.
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Lera Lynn, "Are You Listening?"

"As a child I would dream of the bottom of the sea/If I swam deep enough, there was air to breathe," Lera Lynn sings in "Are You Listening?," the first release from the Nashville singer-songwriter's upcoming album *On My Own* (out October 23rd). Fittingly for that imaginative opening, Lynn's slimmed-down arrangement of tremolo guitar and steady backbeat veers toward psychedelia, articulating melodies that feel dreamlike and strange through the power of her voice. Lynn as always is a knockout vocalist, but the fact that she also produced the track and played every instrument on it adds some heft to her message of taking control of your own life.