## Throwback: Dionne Farris-Hopeless

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Dionne Farris's "Hopeless" was penned by Van Hunt and one was of the gems to grace the Love Jones soundtrack. Farris's gentle but fervid delivery of Hunt's poetic lyrics made the feelings of an unrepentant dreamer a moment of beautiful vindication for aspiring romantics. The video features her, Van Hunt and Randy Jackson before his American Idol days playing the bass. Farris first became known for her contribution to Arrested Development's hit single "Tennessee" in 1992. Her 1994 solo album Wild Seed - Wild Flower was helmed by the single "I Know" which earned her a Grammy nomination for Best Female Pop Vocal Performance and won her the Billboard Music Video Awards Best Pop/Rock New Artist Clip of the Year. But it is her song with Van Hunt that endures and continues to introduce her voice to new generations. Farris's fourth album Dionne Get Your Gunn was released in 2013. She is also the mother of rapper Yung Baby Tate.Â

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