

## SCENES FROM A MOVIE

### LOMA LYNDA

Loma Lynda is an emerging art rock quartet of cinema junkies. At a show, you'll see the four perform each of their grain-gazing songs accompanied by a mesmerizing scene from a movie projected behind them. The scenes form an ongoing narrative film created from desktop composited '70s softcore girly loops, B-star femme fatale clips and instructional films to tell a story – ostensibly – about a desperate Hollywood-bound girl named Loma Lynda, as she grows up, gets abducted into a cult (Church Universal and Triumphant), is stalked by a serial killer and endlessly loves and dies over and over again. While each LL song is part of this unfolding elegiac story, the lyrics are not literal; you never feel like you are watching a music video that illustrates a song. Instead, there is enough narrative openness for concert/moviegoers to embellish the set with their own interpretive dreams. Loma Lynda includes Jason Bognacki, Bone Mammone and Dan White, and is fronted by Sarah Ellquist, who sings sadly but fully, holding her own with the sonic melodies and supernova crescendos that are in the realm of Godspeed You! Black Emperor, Sigur Rós and Glenn Branca. Ironically, Loma Lynda appears just as the music industry is becoming a singles-centric virtual jukebox, thanks to iTunes and the like. So Loma Lynda offers a welcome antidote; you can experience LL's carefully wrought operatic song-cycle on the band's new CD/DVD. Look for Loma Lynda at this year's Sundance Film Festival. – Eric Saks, photo: Zen Sekizawa → [www.lomalynnda.com](http://www.lomalynnda.com)

THE STARS OF LOMA LYNDA: (L TO R) BONE MAMMONE, JASON BOGNACKI, SARAH ELLQUIST AND DAN WHITE.





