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Local band alert

This week: jale

Guitar/Vocals: Jenny Pierce Guitar/Vocals: Eve Hartling Bass/Vocals: Laura Stein Drums/Vocals: Alyson Mcleod

This local fearsome female foursome band plays unique harmonic pop with a nice dash of distortion. Their anti-aggressive and sometimes even bashful stage presence has endeared them to local, and now international audiences. Although they've only been playing their instruments for about two and a half years they have a deal SubPop and have put out more singles than one hand can count. Not to mention their SubPop debut cd, Dreamcake.

They haven't been around Halifax very much as of late because of their latest massive

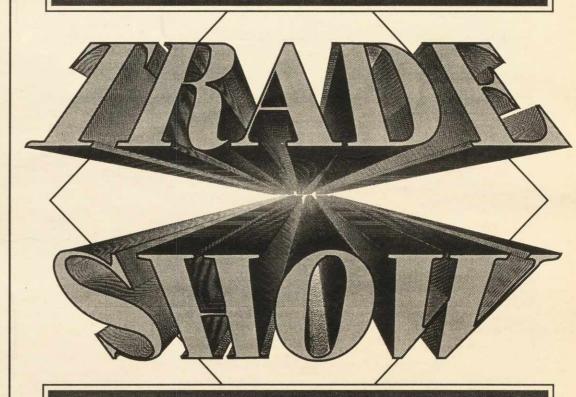
tour which has taken them the States, the UK, (including the Reading Festival and famed BBC John Peel radio show), Ireland, and Germany - just to name a few countries. They've opened for L7 (odd pairing to say the least) and, most recently, Velocity Girl.

jale will be playing a homecoming show of sorts at the Pop Explosion on Sept. 28. If you miss this show, don't think that jale will be gigging around town anytime soon. They will be back on the tour grind, heading for Midwest U.S.A. and beyond.

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