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GREG QUILL & JON BROOKS *songs of love, war and reconciliation*

GREG QUILL

The award-winning singer-songwriter and founder of the seminal Australian roots band Country Radio ("Gypsy Queen", "Wintersong", "Fleetwood Plain") in the 1970s, Greg has headlined at the Sydney Opera House, and shared stages with many musical icons of the era, including Fairport Convention, Elton John, Creedence Clearwater Revival, Santana, J.J. Cale and Stephen Stills, among others.

In Canada, first as a solo artist on the prestigious Elektra label, then heading up the Toronto-based country-rock outfit, Southern Cross, Greg continued playing through the mid-1980s, before embarking on a career in arts journalism.

In 2003 Greg and Country Radio songwriting partner Kerry Tolhurst wrote and recorded the CD *so rudely interrupted* before headlining more than a dozen concerts in Australia, including the Port Fairy Folk Festival. True North Records subsequently released *so rudely interrupted* in Canada and Europe, where Greg has a strong following.

Greg performs regularly around Toronto and has appeared at several festivals in Canada. He is currently recording a CD of new songs.

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JON BROOKS

Award-winning Canadian songwriter Jon Brooks' music is filled with grey and morally ambiguous characters living on the outskirts of approval.

His mandate is unequivocal: "I'm not interested in 'happy songs' - they have a place and purpose and I respect that. Many songwriters are out there doing that without my help.

"I've chosen to write healing songs and that means revealing a wound or two now and then."

In 2006 Jon released *No Mean City*, a conceptual exposition of spiritual homelessness and moral fatigue. His 2007 album, *Ours And The Shepherds*, a series of musical vignettes based on Canadian war stories, earned nation-wide acclaim. Jon's third CD, *Moth Nor Rust* (2009), looks inward, to all that neither moth nor rust can touch: love, hope, trust, memory, inspiration, justice, and faith.

This brave new work reinforces song as a natural and moral force in elevating humanity in the 21st century. *Moth Nor Rust* earned Jon his second Canadian Folk Music Award nomination for Best Songwriter.

Jon was awarded the New Folk prize at the prestigious 2010 Kerrville Music Festival in Texas.

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