

Sample Press Release

For Immediate Release

For more information, contact: D.P. Knudten • 608.469.8453

It's not easy to put a label on D.P. Knudten (pronounced *canoe-ten*). Described as "an outstanding contemporary singer/songwriter in the truest sense of the word," D.P. crafts and performs songs written from his own slightly skewed point-of-view.

Citing such influences as James Taylor, John Gorka, and Lyle Lovett "but without the Texas thing," D.P.'s songwriting showcases characters and situations many can relate to. Whether presenting the fever dreams of a mentally disturbed man in "18 Below Lower Wacker," the defiance of a small-town girl in "Me You'll Never Know," or his own hopeful yet pragmatic philosophy of life, D.P. delivers 'songs as stories' passionately with a voice that demands attention. But he's no strident minister. His sets are filled with wry wit and downright hilarious stories about what he knows best: his life and the often frustrating, frequently exhilarating, and ultimately wonderful world we share.

Featuring a unique fingerstyle approach to the acoustic six-string guitar with frequent digressions into the world of bottleneck slide blues and rootsy ballads, D.P.'s music is sometimes gentle, sometimes gritty, and occasionally a little bit trippy. "What else would you expect from a kid raised on equal parts of Bill Monroe, Gustav Holst, Blind Willie Johnson, Rodgers & Hammerstein, Leo Kottke and Stan Getz. Eclectic? Yeah, that sounds about right." Just one listen to his CD, tattered family quilt, reveals a unique writer/performer capable of leading an audience through a multicolored landscape filled with equal parts joyous celebration and sober reflection.

With a degree in theatre and a résumé boasting jobs as diverse as dishwasher, swordfighter, improvisational comedian and advertising copywriter, D.P. has a fascinating view of life's challenges and delights. And it's a view he shares in every performance.

Don't miss this highly entertaining and provocative performer. D.P. Knudten will be performing at <VENUE> on <DATE>. For more information, call <VENUE PHONE NUMBER>. His debut CD, tattered family quilt, is available via Spotify, Apple Music, SoundCloud or just about anywhere you can stream original music online.

Current Repertoire

Originals:

18 Below Lower Wacker

32 Days Almond Eyes **Before He Dies** Charmed Life

Cinderella on Cinder Blocks

Color of Love Confidence Man **Cornflower Blue** Dance Around Lizzy Father Daughter Dance

Feeling Mean Forgive/Forget Girl Next Door Heater on High Heavenly Father Lazy Dog

Little Girl, Little Girl Married w/Children

May 20

Me You'll Never Know M'Lady of Skye Mornin' Beautiful Morrison Road Nikki with an I Nineteen on the Wall Out of the Blue Rebecca T. Thompson Right Wrong Thing

Say Hello Second to None Simply Surprising Sleeping of the Subway Temperance & Grace

Ten Feet Away That Dress The Fire The Ghillie Boy The Other Side The Token

Time Long Gone Up Down Road Up North

Walking You Home What I Should Have Said

When With You White Boy Blue Won't Look Back

Your Name

Originals/Bottleneck Slide-style:

11 Month / 29 Day **Bullfrog & Shoofly** Delta Blue

Devil at the Threshold Jesus Seems Nobody Knows

Liza Jo

Mama's Hot Mustard Outbound Freight Right Wrong Thing Tell Me Mama

Tears

Think About You White Boy Blue

Songs by Other Artists:

Bill Withers Ain't No Sunshine Dark Eyed Molly Archie Fisher Down the Road Mary McCaslin Factory Girl **Traditional** For What It's Worth **Buffalo Springfield** Free Fallin' Tom Petty Good Thing Patty Larkin Jolene **Dolly Parton** Maid on the Shore **Traditional** Milltown John Gorka Millworker James Taylor Rockin' Me Steve Miller Shower the People James Taylor Stand By Me Ben E. King The Giant Stan Rogers The Jeannie C. Stan Rogers The Water is Wide **Traditional** Wichita Lineman Jimmy Webb

All songs in bold appear on my album tattered family quilt, now streamable at (Clickable links below)

Apple Music | https://bit.ly/dpknudtenapplemusic Spotify | https://bit.ly/dpknudtenspotify

SoundCloud | https://soundcloud.com/dpknudten

Check out live performance videos on YouTube YouTube | https://bit.ly/dpknudtenonstagelive

Social Links

Facebook | https://www.facebook.com/dpknudten Instagram | https://www.instagram.com/dpknudten/ TikTok | https://www.tiktok.com/@dpknudten

Biography/Résumé

d.p. **knudten** singer/songwriter

Part folky, part bluesy, part slack and slide, d.p's style is best described as 'eclectic.' Like most writers, he writes songs about what he knows best—longing, family, love, and loss. The best description of the songs he writes, plays and sings is that from his debut CD tattered family quilt:

"What started out as an attempt to finally document some of the songs I've written over the past 20 years turned into something entirely more personal. After recording a number of tracks with no grand album concept in mind, a pattern began to emerge: a patchwork of songs about family, places we lived (and events we lived through), and some of the people we met on the way.

The result: tattered family quilt." - d.p knudten

His influences range from the timeless ballads of the British Isles to the rich blues of the Mississippi delta, and the work of musical heroes such as Stan Rogers, John Gorka, Lori McKenna, Jason Isbell, and James Taylor.

"I like to write and perform the kind stories we all can relate to like musical comfort food, stuff that sticks to your ribs." - d.p knudten

A PARTIAL LIST OF PLACES WHERE D.P.'s PERFORMED

Eddie's Attic, Decatur, Georgia Borders Books, Duluth, Georgia The Hungry Ear Coffeehouse, Atlanta, Georgia The Coffeehouse, Dahlonega, Georgia La Dolce Vita, Arvada, Colorado The Cheshire Cat, Arvada, Colorado Common Grounds Coffeehouse, Denver, Colorado Swallow Hill Music Association, Denver, Colorado Stella's Coffee House, Denver, Colorado The Little Bear, Evergreen, Colorado ArtsAlive 285 Festival, Conifer, Colorado Evergreen Lakehouse Concert Series, Evergreen, Colorado Hot Rockin' Coffee, Denver, Colorado Beans 'n Cream, Sun Prairie, Wisconsin Java Notes, Sun Prairie, Wisconsin Prairie Cafe, Middleton, Wisconsin Bos Meadery, Madison, Wisconsin Cargo Coffee East, Madison, Wisconsin CamRock Café, Cambridge, Wisconsin Mazomanie Night Market, Mazomanie, Wisconsin The White Rabbit Wine Bar, Ironwood, Michigan Cold Iron Brewing, Ironwood, Michigan

"(d.p.) is an outstanding contemporary singer/songwriter in the truest sense of the word."

—Clarence Rosa, The Hungry Ear Coffeehouse, Atlanta, Georgia

About tattered family quilt



tattered family quilt (2002)

All words and music by d.p. knudten (total running time: 54:08)



d.p. makes his words&music records debut with an extremely intimate look at life. As he explains in the CD's liner notes:

"What started out as an attempt to finally document some of the songs I've written over the past 20 years turned into something entirely more personal. After recording a number of tracks with no grand album concept in mind, a pattern began to emerge: a patchwork of songs about family, places we lived (and events we lived through), and some of the people we met on the way."

Recorded throughout 2001 at Raven Recording in Englewood, Colorado, tattered family quilt is a heartfelt, quirky document of what it's like to be a dreamer, father and part-time poet in the early years of the 21st Century.

Track List

I. Walking You Home (4:17)

A remembrance of things past.

2. May 20 (4:39)

Some first dates last.

3. 18 Below Lower Wacker (5:05)

It can be very cold in Chicago. Especially in winter.

4. Liza Jo (2:32)

This never happened. I swear.

5. Right Wrong Thing (4:36)

Making decisions is easy. It's living with them that's hard.

6. Temperance & Grace (5:17)

Fictional characters. Story too true.

7. Cornflower Blue (3:06)

They really are.

8. Father Daughter Dance (4:45)

I never really knew how deep love could go.

9. Out of the Blue (5:22)

Seems like life always happens when you least expect it.

10. Color of Love (3:52)

Her smile really could melt an iceberg.

II. Ten Feet Away (4:24)

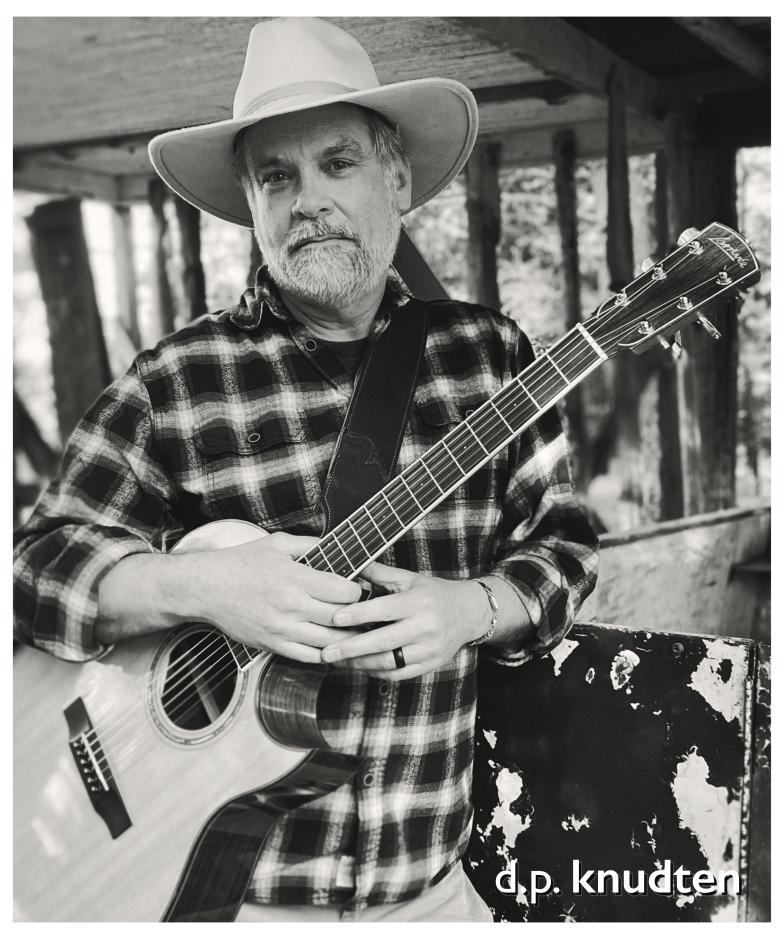
It's amazing what a little distance can do.

tattered family quilt is now streamable via Spotify, Apple Music, SoundCloud and more.



To book or contact d.p. knudten:

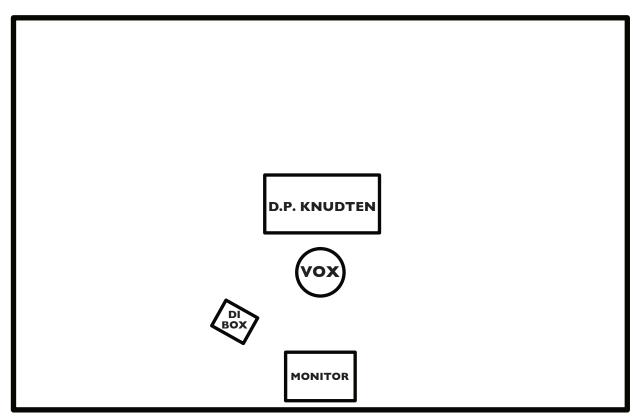
phone: 608.469.8453 | email: dp@dpknudten.com | www.dpknudten.com/singsong



To book or contact d.p. knudten:
phone: 608.469.8453 | email: dp@dpknudten.com | www.dpknudten.com/singsong

BASIC STAGE SETUP

TOP VIEW OF STAGE



ARTIST-SUPPLIED PA System

I have a modular PA system capable of providing pro-quality coverage for venues of up 100 people.

This scalable system can easily be patched into any existing venue PA system.

LARGER VENUES EQUIPMENT NEEDS

- ARTIST-PREFERRED SETUP —
- 1 XLR input for Ear Trumpet Edwina microphone for vocals and guitar (artist supplied)
 - OR VENUE-SUPPLIED SETUP —
- 1 Shure SM58 microphone **for vocals** (or venue-supplied equivalent)
- 1 Microphone stand w/boom
- 1 XLR cable for artist-supplied DI box (LR Baggs Parametric DI) for acoustic guitar
- 1 On stage monitor (venue supplied)