

Ramblings...

I've been staying inside most of March – meeting with industry folk at Canadian Music Week and the Songwriters Association of Canada's 2005 Songposium, plus the time spent in the recording studio with Atlantic Ave. producing a demo CD. But as the weather turns warmer and brighter, I just gotta get out and get some fresh air!



John and Stacey, morning hosts at YOUR FM

What's Up...

- ▶▶ March came in like a lion, with Waterloo's YOUR FM (CKWR) adding "Goodbye, Bedford Falls" to their regular rotation. I appeared on the John & Stacey morning show on March 1st to introduce the song (listen to the interview at www.allisterbradley.com).
- ▶▶ At Canadian Music Week, I met Mary Kirk from WAVE FM, Smooth Jazz 94.7 (Hamilton). 2 days later, "If Ever I Cried" was added to the WAVE FM rotation!
- ▶▶ Upcoming Appearance: March 29th, 8pm at the Rivoli, 334 Queen St. West, Toronto. I'll be joining a handful of top Canadian songwriters for the March "Bluebird North: Where Writers Sing and Tell". Hosted by Arlene Bishop, featured performers will also include Liam Titcomb, Tariq, Bob Snider, Moe Berg and Ernie Guidoccio.
- ▶▶ Upcoming Appearance: Atlantic Ave. plays April 15th and 16th at Lulu's Dine and Dance, Kitchener
- ▶▶ Upcoming Appearance: May 28th, a full band Allister Bradley show, with Kitchener Celtic band Shenanigan...
- ▶▶ See www.allisterbradley.com for more information on all these upcoming appearances.



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AB Fan of the Month...

This month's recognition goes to Jay Collins of Waterloo. A musician himself, Jay and I have played together in local bands Fish Out Of Water and Click Track, and you can hear his distinctive vocal style (call it what you will, Jay...) on the album cut of "Bring Me A Beer". You can usually catch Jay playing at the Black Walnut Folk Club, on the third Friday of each month at the Mill-Courtland Community Centre in Kitchener. Jay earned his spot as Fan of the Month by lending his technical talents towards repairing some of my studio electronics and keeping the show on the road!

Indie Artist of the Month...

(From www.martynjoseph.com) At first glance Martyn Joseph is (just) another gifted singer songwriter. First impressions are there to mislead of course: Joseph's ambition is broader than entertainment, deeper than commerce. Some musicians want to move your feet, some just want to move you: Martyn Joseph wants to move heaven and earth.

I was introduced to the music of Martyn Joseph several years ago, at a live performance in Guelph, Ontario. Martyn presented a riveting one-man show filled with stories and songs to touch the heart and stir the soul. He tours North America regularly, a long way from home in Wales. If any man can change the world with his music and passion, it is Martyn Joseph. Visit his website at www.martynjoseph.com to discover more about this truly talented songwriter. My favourite of his songs? The song which also happens to have the longest title of all songs I know: "Whoever it was that brought me here will have to take me home".



AB Spin of the Month...

I've been listening to a lot of Billy Joel again lately. Joel has always been a top songsmith, and continues to impress me with a seemingly endless flow of great songs. No doubt, though, this collection contains his best songs from his best period. So many of these songs show him at his most bare and vulnerable: "She's Got a Way", "She's Always A Woman", "The Stranger", and the tune that he probably dreads performing after all these years and all those requests – "Piano Man". I find it exhilarating to listen to the early works from an artist whose career has spanned decades; there always seems to be an extra ounce of fire and passion in the songs he sung "before he was a household name".

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These are the radio stations supporting my album. Listen in and call in your requests:

YOUR FM (98.5 MHz from Waterloo, Ontario, programming "Goodbye, Bedford Falls") www.yourfm.ca
 WAVE FM (94.7 MHz from Hamilton, Ontario, programming "If Ever I Cried") www.wave947.fm

Other supporting stations:
 MIX FM (107.7 MHz from Stratford, Ontario, programming "Ten Years On") www.1077mixfm.com
 CBC-Radio (All across Canada) www.cbc.ca