

“SWINGVILLE!”

PRESS RELEASE

Over the last 15 years or so, songwriter-producer Dana Countryman has been known for his particular brand of “retro pop”, usually written in the style of the 1960s. He’s released 8 albums of original material in that style. But with *SWINGVILLE!*, Countryman has shifted his musical gears WAY back, by delving this time into the styles of the 1940s.

“It’s a style of music that I’ve always loved”, Countryman says. “I feel like that’s an era of music that I should have lived through, but I was born later, in the rock and roll era.” So he started immersing himself musically, into old records by Johnny Mercer, Glenn Miller, Doris Day, The Pied Pipers and the like. “I played those old 78s constantly, until I got the ‘feel’ of that songwriting style. Then I started writing new songs. that sounded like they could have been written back in those days.”

Countryman’s songwriting methods are a bit unorthodox. “I get some of my best musical ideas while in the shower, first thing in the morning! Also, later I take a walk through the woods near our house in Blaine, WA. It’s a pretty walk, and there’s rarely anyone else around, so it’s a perfect place to hum and come up with songs as I’m walking there.”

For the *SWINGVILLE!* album, Dana was able to enlist some top talent to join him in this musical adventure. Vocalists include Becky Kilgore, Michael Andrew, Lincoln Briney, Cam Clarke, Chris Weeks, Angie Doctor and Dana’s wife, Tricia. “Tricia’s a great vocalist, and I’m always dragging her out to our studio to sing with me.”



*Take a moment to listen to SWINGVILLE! and see what you think...
Flip this sheet over for more informatin about the songs, and the singers and musicians.*

“Good songs, well-played and produced, strong melodically, and vocally throughout. It’s retro, in the same way that Michael Buble comes across on many of his own original song recordings. Congratulations to all involved. It brought a smile to my face!

- Gilbert O’Sullivan, Grammy Award-winning singer-songwriter

“*SWINGVILLE!*” is available as a physical CD from www.danacountryman.com, and as a digital download from Bandcamp.com.

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SONG LIST

Produced and arranged by Dana Countryman

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| 01 | Whaddya Say?
Michael Andrew, vocal | (Dana Countryman / Frank M. Young) |
| 02 | Don't Know A Thing
Chris Weeks, vocal | (Dana Countryman / Frank M. Young) |
| 03 | The Factory Girl From Bellingham (Dana Countryman)
Lincoln Briney and Dana Countryman, duet vocal | |
| 04 | I Can't Help But Dream Of You
Dana Countryman, vocal | (Dana Countryman / Ken Morrison) |
| 05 | Pick Up The Pieces
Angie Doctor, Tricia Countryman, Lincoln Briney, Dana Countryman, vocals | (Dana Countryman) |
| 06 | Melancholy Moon
Rebecca Kilgore, vocal | (Dana Countryman / Scott Bennett) |
| 07 | No One To Blame But You
Rebecca Kilgore, vocal | (Dana Countryman) |
| 08 | I'd Be A Millionaire
Lincoln Briney, vocal | (Dana Countryman / Ken Morrison) |
| 09 | One Of These Days
Michael Andrew, vocal | (Dana Countryman) |
| 10 | Dreamin' Time
Angie Doctor, vocal, Tricia Countryman,
Lincoln Briney, Dana Countryman, background vocals | (Dana Countryman) |
| 11 | Break It To Me Gently
(When You Break My Heart)
Michael Andrew, vocal | (Dana Countryman) |
| 12 | Sing A Little Rainbow Song
Dana Countryman, vocal | (Dana Countryman / Ken Morrison) |
| 13 | Someone I Can't Forget
Tricia Countryman, vocal | (Dana Countryman) |
| 14 | Why Don'cha Wanna Kiss?
Dana Countryman, vocal | (Dana Countryman) |
| 15 | You Stole The Way To My Heart
Dana Countryman, vocal | (Dana Countryman) |
| 16 | Our First Christmas Together
Cam Clarke, vocal | (Dana Countryman / Frank M. Young) |