



**TREVOR TCHIR**  
**SUN & MOON**

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**Personnel:**

**Trevor Tchir - lead vocals, acoustic guitar, electric guitar (3), piano, harmonica**

**Stephen Tchir - backup vocals (2, 6, 7), mandolin, electric guitar (4, 9, 10), electric slide guitar**

**Keiko Larocque - backup vocals (3, 4, 10)**

**Nancy Sylvestre - backup vocals (3, 4, 10)**

**Lindsay Ferguson - vocals (9)**

**Frank Deresti - upright bass**

**Michael John DiSanto - electric bass**

**Mark Gough - drums, percussion**

**Sheldon Jaaskelainen - violin**

**Michael Kienhofer - dobro**

**Bramwell Park - banjo, washboard**

**Al Bragg - pedal steel guitar**

**Pierre Chrétien - organ**

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**Recorded, engineered, and mixed by Michael John DiSanto in Sault Ste. Marie, Ontario**

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**All songs written by Trevor Tchir**

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## 1. Batchawana Bay

Laughing shiver, splashing hands  
Happy shadows on the rippling sand  
They cross the world between you and I  
Little lifeboat dips and rises on

Sweetwater waves  
Swimming with our babes  
I never want to leave Batchawana Bay

Heaven's light on their smiles  
Same one we wore back when we walked the aisle  
Now we're catchers in the bight, after all  
They don't know how soon the bottom falls

Smoke rising from the white pines  
Day dripping down a golden sky  
I close my eyes and try to hold on  
Keep it for tomorrow cause it's turn in time

## 2. Iron Mountain

Heading back to Iron Mountain  
Where my father loved to go  
Where his heart it felt no burden  
Where he watched the poplars grow

Oh, little one, come with me now  
You've seen the picture by the stairs  
I see him in your gentle eyes  
And in the curl of your hair

Oh, sunshine, I hope you find him  
I can hear the valley call  
I'd tell you how to listen  
I'd show you where to look  
But this is all, this is all, this is all

They say this too shall pass  
I'm broken all the same  
We were left with so much more to say  
On the day the angels came

Dreams they fell with you  
Dreams they rose with you

### 3. Lemon Dream

Spent half my life jumping through the final hoop  
Pressing my suit, staying in the loop  
I'm showing my grey, showing weakness  
I think I lost my way, I know I lost some patience

I wasted time on a lemon dream  
I took my road, we weren't what we seemed  
I could have been a Mister, thought I'd make the scene  
I wasted time on a lemon dream

Nobody's buying what it is I hold  
Nobody's asking all the little things I know  
I'm going all in, turning pro  
Speaking Greek, tipping dominos

I blame my lady luck, oh, she's such a fickle little one  
I blame the bank, oh, it ruined everybody's fun  
But I need you to know, I never hold a thing against you  
Well, to be honest now, I guess sometimes I do

### 4. Gwendolyn

You're the child of the summer  
Born in the water  
Under the sign of the lion  
Horizon's daughter

Oh, Gwendolyn  
You shine on everything  
Girl of the big white moon  
You make my old soul sing

You want to be a rocker  
Animal doctor  
Lunar princess  
Yeah, you want to be a success

Oh, Gwendolyn  
Yeah, you tried on everything  
Girl of the big white moon  
You make my whole soul sing

You don't have time for the suits and ties  
With their walls and their malls  
And their tall lies that would box you in  
You think outside and you sing out loud  
And you dance outdoors in the sun and his sister  
Gwendolyn

## 5. Starting Clean

I get the taste for a few  
Wetting my spirit loose  
Oh, the next thing you know  
I'm the last soldier out the door  
Wake up and I hurt the same  
Got nobody else to blame  
I'm thinking 'bout starting clean

Back on the side of the mountain  
Pushing up that old stone again  
Oh, when my words they fall  
Crash down like an avalanche  
I can't put them back in place  
I've come to lean on your grace  
I'm thinking 'bout starting clean

All the people in this life that I love  
I let them down, I let them down  
This thing I got a handle on got a handle on me  
Oh, and it's pulling strong  
so hard it can't be wrong

And I've sung this song before  
I know how the story goes  
I get my arrow straight  
I just can't pull the bow  
And then when that courage comes  
Drift back where I started from  
Thinking 'bout starting clean  
Oh, I'm thinking

## 6. Mr. Speaker

Mr. Speaker, let me see our peerless chief behind the door  
Mr. Speaker, let me ask him what the rest of us are for  
Just his keepers and his sycophants  
No one else invited to the dance

We got eyes that we might see  
A voice that we might act  
We built a house

Mr. Speaker, give us more than the Ministry of Wealth  
Mr. Speaker, we're fading from the politics of stealth  
Our CEO he got a business plan  
Fossil fuel and muzzled man

We built a house  
And we want it back

Mr. Speaker, Daddy drove the big bus right on through  
Mr. Speaker, packed it full and kept it all just out of view  
In the side door, out the back before we knew  
Big change coming, we need a little room to move

We built a house  
Gonna take it back

Said to the people on the grass  
Let me be your fuel, then he lit the match

## 7. Jasper Stone

There came a young boy in the chill of winter  
To a darkening world with shifting winds  
The sun woke hopeful in the morning sky  
We're born not to die, but to begin

We left him in the frenzy and the flood  
To find a road on his own  
He cut a trail through the crooked timber  
His heart bled red like jasper stone

The shadow trickster wove a bitter web  
Siren calling from a dreamy meadow bed  
A flurry falling and it chased the light  
But he set his sight on the step ahead

He stood strong like jasper stone

What could we offer? What could we say?  
Did our labour come late to the dying day?  
I wrapped a bundle in the cloth you stitched him  
He carried it with him on the heavy way

He kept the treasure close like jasper stone

## 8. Patch of Green

When the colder season's rains relent  
If your working bones are feeling spent  
Come meet me at the ball yard  
I've got a ticket to a little patch of green

For the smell of grass and the wage of wonder  
For the crack of ash and the bleacher thunder  
To leap and spin and throw like Robbie would  
We like to think maybe once we could  
On a patch of green

When their name is called, if time is theirs  
If they can solve the orbit riddle square  
And send it fair and well past the ivy wall  
Oh, touch 'em all  
You'll never reach for thinner air

We can see it all from a grandstand seat  
Where Elysian Fields and the broomstick alley meet  
Where the white lines stretch to heaven  
Where the clocks are broken  
At the patch of green

Where anything can happen  
A little patch of green

## 9. Poet and the Poor Boy

It was down at Marcia's bar  
I never dreamed I'd get that far  
When she walked in through the door looking that way  
Two tequila and a chaser  
Then I knew I'd better pace her  
I slid on in – what's the occasion, if I may?

Well, my last boy was a player  
And this city's full of strangers  
I'll be all right, I fly home in the morning  
Well, she never made that plane  
We lost the hours in the show me game  
Well, we'd come to meet a love and kiss off the warnings

We were thirsty, we were young  
Weren't afraid of what would come  
The poet and the poor boy, bad or good  
Lost some fire, lost some blood  
Still got a big old love  
I wouldn't do it any different if I could

Dreams come true, kid, so they tell you  
So all the surf songs sell you  
But we pulled the plug on more than a few of them  
Had a baby, then another  
Spitting image of their mother  
So I traded in my six string for six a.m.

Building higher every day  
No knowing when what you need'll slip away  
It's a cold time, why live it on your own?  
So come on honey, let's take our chances  
Put on your rose-coloured glasses  
And we'll keep on dancing 'til the band goes home

## 10. Prairie Home Valentine

Sultry summer, crimson fall  
Fervid streets of Montreal  
Step in step, we found our own new pace  
Past the dep and up the spiral stairs

There's more I'd like to show  
In this room on the plateau  
Muslin patterns on the table  
String tones stir the air

Suddenly we're close as two can be  
If I could put a frame around this time  
Could you be my very own companion?  
My prairie home valentine

As wicked western winters go  
Icy sheets of old Garneau  
I'd sooner hunker in with you tonight  
Just Maude and Oliver, we'd spin some r and r

There's more I've got to do  
Carving out my own dream here with you  
Folded scrubs by the door  
Tweed and Telecaster freezing in the car

Still, we're close as two can be  
If I could tie a knot around this time  
You're my very own companion  
My prairie home valentine

It was business time that night at Rosie's bar  
We sang two minutes heaven then la petite mort

You've seen me play, you've seen me cry  
Even when my eyes were dry  
Babe, you made it easier  
Oh, you held the load a while

You're such a gentle soul  
I'd like our little world to know  
Just how much I love you  
Though words and flowers could never say it all

They'll see we're close as two can be  
Let's put a ring around this time  
Will you be my very own companion?  
My prairie home valentine



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