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Trevor Tchir Releases New Album ‘Sun & Moon’

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Canadian singer-songwriter Trevor Tchir finally returns with the release of his **fifth album** of original songs, *Sun & Moon*. This is Tchir’s **first album in twelve years**, and its songs speak to the midlife experiences of raising kids, losing loved ones, following dreams in a precarious economy, and acting as a citizen at a time when democracy faces stark challenges. If things get heavy, there’s a song about forgetting it all and enjoying a ball game, or dancing ‘til the band goes home. The sound is steeped in the **Americana folk roots tradition**, while Tchir’s imagery and stories are grounded **north of the border**.

This spring, Tchir, also a **professor**, received the distinguished faculty award for his efforts in indigenizing and **de-colonizing the politics program** at Algoma University, with its special mission of encouraging **cross-cultural learning** between Indigenous and other communities. This work, like his music, strives to build community by sharing our different perspectives and stories about the world we all call home.

Sun & Moon was recorded largely by **Michael John DiSanto** at the confluence of the Great Lakes, in beautiful **Sault Ste. Marie**, Ontario, Tchir’s home for the last seven years. Additional tracks were recorded during pandemic lockdown in locations across Canada, and even as far as Zurich, Switzerland.

The album features a **talented supporting cast of musicians** who have earned regional, national, and international recognition in their own or other projects. There are **new collaborators** from the Sault, including **Frank Deresti** [Lake Effect] on bass; **Sheldon Jaaskelainen** on violin; Mark Gough on drums; Michael Kienhofer on dobro; and Keiko Larocque & Nancy Sylvestre singing harmonies. Tchir also **reunites with longtime bandmates** from his prairie hometown of Edmonton, Alberta, including his **brother, Stephen Tchir [Provincial Archive, Colleen Brown]** on guitar, mandolin, and backup vocals, as well as **Bramwell Park [Scott Cook]** on banjo. Finally, the album features favourites from the Ottawa scene, where Tchir’s musical journey took off, including **Pierre Chrétien [Souljazz Orchestra]** on organ, Al Bragg on pedal steel, and Lindsay Ferguson, featured singing on a country duet.

Sun & Moon **drops officially August 6**, when it will be available on major online platforms including Apple Music, Spotify, YouTube, and Bandcamp.

In the meantime, *Sun & Moon* is now available exclusively at trevortchirmusic.com

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