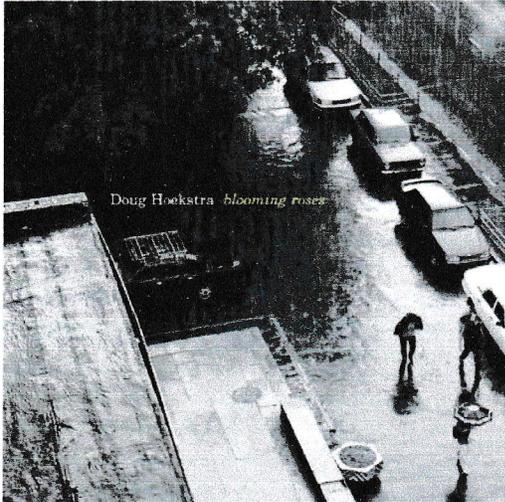


DOUG HOEKSTRA

Blooming Roses

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- Wired Magazine

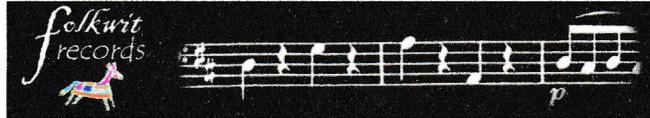
"Music runs like a liquid vein through these 80-proof experiences. Hoekstra pours it out with a Dylan-esque fervor, giving us a sputtering catalog of beauties and terrors..."

- Paste Magazine

"A peerless set of gems...psychedelic folk-flecked Americana."

- Brighton Magazine

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Doug Hoekstra is a unique and compelling artist whose work has been heralded by critics, DJs, and fans throughout the U.S. and Europe. Raised in Chicago and based in Nashville, he has earned a well-deserved reputation as a man with an ear for a phrase and an eye for detail, a "songwriter's songwriter" (*CMJ Music Monthly*)

His latest project, ***Blooming Roses***, features all of the "Hoekstra hallmarks" – honest vocals, narrative lyrics, emotive chord changes and impeccable musicianship. From the soul vibe of the title track (*Blooming Roses*) to the atmospheric groove of the closer (*Everywhere is Somewhere*), the music is infused with mood and purpose, creating a unified and rich musical landscape that stands as Hoekstra's strongest work to date.

The CD was recorded primarily at *True Tone Recording* studios in Nashville, with David Henry producing (*David Mead, Josh Rouse, Vienna Tang*) and a bevy of Nashville's finest helping achieve its dreamlike cohesion. The album's closing track was cut in Stavanger, Norway at *Out of Tunes Recording* with members of Thomas Dybdahl's band (Oyvind Berekvam, Eirik Lye) at the helm.

Blooming Roses also works as both companion piece and follow-up to his first full-length collection of prose, *Bothering the Coffee Drinkers*, a book that was published in 2006 to rave reviews and earned a Bronze Medal for Best Short Fiction in the Independent Publisher Awards (IPPYs).



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