



john Arthur martinez

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“When he smiles, the world has sunshine. When he talks, it’s always from the heart. And when he sings, the soul is nourished.”

— Robert K. Oermann, Music Row Magazine

- Residence: Marble Falls, Texas
- Musical Idioms: Country, Americana, Latin
- New Album: **PURGATORY ROAD** (Sept. 15, 2009)
Produced by Lew Curatolo
Recorded at Pedernales Studio, Austin, TX
Masterfonics and East Iris, Nashville, TN
Engineered by Pete Greene
- Emphasis Tracks: “Utopia,” “Can’t Outdrink The Truth,” “Closer To My Dream,”
“Purgatory Road”
- The Players: john Arthur martinez — lead vocals
James Mitchell — electric guitar
Pat McGrath — acoustic guitar
Kevin Grant — bass
Mark Beckett — drums
Tony Harrell — piano
Scott Sanders — steel guitar
Rob Hajacos and Glen Duncan — fiddle
Mike Blakely, Kirk Kirkland, Jaimee Paul Shires — backup vocals
- On “What Good Is I Love You”:
john Arthur martinez — lead vocals
Bill Watson and Jeff King — guitar
Spady Brannan — bass
Tammy Rogers — fiddle
Robbie Turner — Dobro, steel
- Record Label: Jason Landry, Apache Ranch Records, 512.415.7454
www.apachereanchrecords.com
- Distribution: Armando Sanchez, South Central Music, 713.910.1100
- Texas Radio: Ed Spacek, The Spacek Company, 512.216.6160
- Americana Radio: Jenni Finlay, Jenni Finlay Promotions, 512.787.8968

Of Note:

* **PURGATORY ROAD** captures flowing melodies and evocative lyrics inside a unique country folk-Latin sound built on musical influences from Dan Fogelberg to Cuco Sanchez.

* The singer-songwriter won second place on the 2003 season of TV's "Nashville Star," where he introduced original compositions including "A Home Made of Stone," featured on his 2004 Dualtone release, LONE STARRY NIGHT.

* Co-wrote "Seguro Que Hell Yes," on famed Texas accordionist Flaco Jiménez's self-titled 1994 album, which won a 1995 GRAMMY Award for Best Mexican-American/Tejano Music Performance (Raul Malo sang lead backed by Radney Foster on harmony and Lee Roy Parnell on slide guitar; martinez acted in the music video shot at Gruene Hall).

* Has shared stages across the United States and Europe with Pat Green, Dwight Yoakum, Todd Snider, Randy Travis, Rueben Ramos, Mark Chesnutt, Keith Urban, Randy Rogers, Asleep at the Wheel and others.

* Gives his time and talent to international efforts by the Andy Roddick Foundation because of his extensive background in tennis and his love for working with children.

* Inverted capitalization he uses to spell his name and for initials (jAm) is after e.e. cummings, with an acknowledgment to people who know him by the middle name he's used since kindergarten.

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