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Wolfe Island, Ontario

Wolfe Island Records Artist Showcase  
Thursday, March 14th  
London Music Club  
Featuring Hugh Christopher Brown, Suzanne Jarvie,  
and Stephen Stanley & Chris Bennett

Wolfe Island Records is bringing a stable of musicians to London, Ontario with the Wolfe Island Records Artist Showcase, taking place on Thursday, March 14th at the London Music Club. The Wolfe Island Record label, created early in 2018 and led by Hugh Christopher Brown, is an artist collective based in Wolfe Island, Ontario that houses an amazing array of roots musicians as well as Brown's ground-breaking Pros and Cons Prison Music Program. All of the Wolfe Island Records music is produced by Brown in his 1880 cedar shake cabin, that previously served as the post office for the Wolfe Island community.

The label has been touring as a group, primarily in Europe, and has created a dedicated following in the UK, Ireland and the Netherlands, and is now playing a wave of Ontario shows for the first time. "We are super excited to be playing London as our first stop," said Brown. "We haven't toured in Ontario as a group, so we really want to showcase this idea of performing as a collective and bringing the amazing variety of music to our listeners."

Hugh Christopher 'Chris' Brown, who released a critically acclaimed solo album *Pacem* in 2018, will be alongside Suzanne Jarvie, a roots Americana musician and Stephen Stanley and Chris Bennett (Stanley fronted the alt-rock band Lowest of the Low). Brown was the keyboardist as well as a primary songwriter and singer for the alternative rock band, the Bourbon Tabernacle Choir, in the 1980s and 90s. After the Tabs, as they were known, went their separate ways, he continued on in a duo with his bandmate, Kate Fenner who is also part of the label. Chris branched out into music production, while also recording with other great bands such as the Barenaked Ladies, Crash Test Dummies and Ani DiFranco as a keyboard player.

Until just a few years ago, Suzanne Jarvie was principally a mother of four and lawyer in Toronto. She continues in those roles today, however a serious traumatic brain injury to her son

in 2011 led her down a path of self-exploration that resulted in her debut album *Spiral Road* in 2014. Produced by Chris Brown, the album received rave reviews in both North America and Europe, and drew comparisons to the sounds of Emmylou Harris and Lucinda Williams, along with an Independent Music Awards nomination for Best Concept Album. Suzanne's poetic and musical journey has continued, and her second album *In The Clear* was released in January of this year. It has been described as "a magic show" and the "best album of 2019" by [folkrootsradio.com](http://folkrootsradio.com). She describes her new work as "a reverie - where the songs reflect on motherhood, addiction, death, dreams of freedom and peace."

Stephen Stanley is best known from his many years as a founding member, lead guitarist and vocalist with alternative rock band *The Lowest of the Low*. After many song hits, years of touring and sharing the stage with the likes of Billy Bragg, Bob Mould, The Violent Femmes, The Jayhawks and Lloyd Cole, a gold record for their "genuinely timeless album" (Exclaim!) *Shakespeare My Butt*, Stanley is back on the music scene with his own band, The Stephen Stanley Band, and an internationally acclaimed record *Jimmy & The Moon*, (2017). Americana UK described Jimmy & The Moon and Stephen's artistry this way: "The songs are big and bold, unafraid, unashamed to flaunt their heritage. Stanley will be joined at the showcase by lead guitarist Chris Bennett.

This will be a night of wonderful original music created in Canada, and inspired by the stories and experiences of Canadian artists. When playing Canadian Music Week last year, the Wolfe Island Record showcase was called "The best show of CMW." It is said that great things come from humble roots, and the musical incubator that is Wolfe Island Records lives true to that concept. Join us for an evening of mystical and musical storytelling that will broaden your horizons and brighten your day.

Artists are available for media interviews. All inquiries should be directed to Jody Stockfish at 416-659-7387 or [canadianmusicpromoter@gmail.com](mailto:canadianmusicpromoter@gmail.com)

## **ARTIST BIOS**

Hugh Christopher Brown ~ <http://www.chrisbrownmusic.com/about/>

Suzanne Jarvie ~ <http://suzannejarvie.com/bio/>

Stephen Stanley ~ <https://wolfeislandrecords.com/stephenstanleyband/>

## **LINKS TO SONGS**

### **Suzanne Jarvie**

Headless Rider ~ <https://suzannejarvie.bandcamp.com/track/headless-rider>

Point Blank ~ <https://suzannejarvie.bandcamp.com/track/point-blank>

### **Christopher Hugh Brown**

Keeper of the Flame ~ <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=qFlEu4waYng>

Here Comes My Love ~ <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2FIbFfrKWbc>

### **Stephen Stanley Band**

Jimmy & The Moon ~ <https://stephenstanleyband.bandcamp.com/track/jimmy-the-moon>

Next to Me ~ <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Z8xD1S0Vg5g>

## **LINK TO PROS AND CONS PROGRAM**

<https://prosandconsprogram.com>