

TONY TIDWELL

LOVE IS NOT A WORD

ABOUT THE ALBUM

A couple pulls their car over on the side of the road and slowly dances in the headlights. A fifteen year old girl, awkward and hesitant in her party gown, pauses in the evening gloom outside of a dance, wondering if she should just go home. A man mowing a field stumbles through memory and doubt, telling us that there's a "wolf, like time, howling around my heart." Another's life is "just a bird with nowhere to light." A broken man becomes a new father and is reborn while watching his daughter play, as he tells her "you're the best song I ever wrote." An exhausted and worn-thin worker dreams of nothing more than putting the day to bed and going home to his wife, and in another song we're told the world isn't black and white anymore, it's "red, green and blue." In each of the songs on Tony Tidwell's new album "Love Is Not A Word," we're pulled deep into the thoughts of a person who exists in two distinct worlds: the physical, outward "walking around" side we all see and a deep, shadowy interior life, where instinct and grace are constantly at odds.

Tony Tidwell's new album *Love Is Not A Word* signals both a return and a departure for the Clemson, South Carolina singer/songwriter. His first album in almost ten years, the majority of the songs here are less focused on the rippling, distorted electric guitars and crashing drums of his earlier albums, and lean closer to whispered meditations with closely-harmonized fiddles, Salvation Army-marching band celebrations, lightly strummed acoustic guitars, winding pedal steel, and quiet, humming prayers—so closely linked together, it's probably more appropriate to listen to *Love Is Not A Word* less as an album, and more as a collection of compact, tightly structured short stories. Indeed, Faulkner wrote about this same world, one equally shot through with hushed sunlight and wide, open night.

CAST OF CHARACTERS

Tony Tidwell – vocals, acoustic guitar, saxophone, drums, percussion
Russ Hallauer – production, graphic design, electric guitar, mandolin, tenor banjo, organ, keyboards
Rob Keller – bass, vocals
Chris Ellenburg – drums, vocals
Jason Slatton – acoustic guitar, piano, organ, drums, percussion, vocals
John Neff – pedal steel
Neil Golden – organ, piano, keyboards
Glenn Cannon – electric guitar, vocals
Adam Poulin - violin
William Tonks – acoustic guitar, lap steel
Dean Johnson – drums, percussion
Wayne Wilson - banjo
Andy LeMaster - mastering
Michael Hayes - photography
Casey Scott - photography
Larry Tenner – graphic design

MANAGEMENT/BOOKING/PUBLICITY

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TRACK LISTING

1. Two Angels
2. Fifteen
3. Wild & Running
4. Something Good
5. Don't Pass Me By
6. Angel Tree
7. Lilly's Hymn
8. Ghost Dance Girl
9. Fast & Fading
10. Whispering Low
11. One True Light

RELEASE DETAILS

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ON THE WEB

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