

DON CON PRESS KIT



Biography

Once a die-hard rocker, Don Conoscenti is one of the most respected musicians and acclaimed songwriters in acoustic music. He's also a seasoned studio pro working as producer, composer and multi-instrumentalist in an array of environments. His live performances are a soulful fusion of styles blended from his experiences in rock, jazz, blues, folk, funk and country, but his primary love is the landscape of storytelling.

The credits for his CDs are a Who's Who of acoustic music. His recordings have been in the top 20 albums played by folk and acoustic DJ's worldwide. NPR, World Café and Acoustic Café have spotlighted his music and he's played top venues and festivals in the U.S including Rocky Mountain Folks Fest, Philadelphia Folk Festival, Kerrville Folk Festival, Woody Guthrie Folk Festival, The Troubadour, The Kennedy Center and Eddie's Attic in Atlanta, which was home base for many years as he came up alongside friends Shawn Mullins, John Mayer, Indigo Girls, Ellis Paul, Sugarland and Michelle Malone.

While living in Vermont years ago, scooping ice cream at a homemade shop run by two guys named Ben and Jerry, he formed the first of dozens of bands comprised of virtuoso players from the Rock, Jazz and Native American worlds.

He commands an array of instruments: acoustic and electric guitar, steel guitar, bass, keyboards, drums, percussion, woodwinds, didgeridoo and is often the only musician on his recordings.

He's been involved in workshops and panels sharing his expertise as an indie artist navigating the creative process in the music business as a self produced and self represented artist on the national circuit. These appearances have included The Rocky Mountain Folks Fest Song School (Planet Bluegrass/Lyons, CO), The International Folk Alliance Conference and The Americana Song Academy in Sisters, OR. After leaving Atlanta Conoscenti spent several years in Texas, Oklahoma and Southern Colorado before settling in Taos NM.