

SARA TINDLEY



New Album
TIME
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RADIO TRACKS: 1) GOLDEN 3) TIME

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"Lyrically, Tindley shows shades of Paul Kelly & Tim Rogers while sticking to a Lucinda Williams-esque sound that's about as sweet as anything that's come out of the country for quite some time...compulsory listening for all supporters of Australian roots music" Dan Condon, Time Off

'Time' is the aptly named and long awaited 3rd album from one of Australia's best country-roots songwriters **Sara Tindley**. In 2007 her critically acclaimed album '**Lucky the Sun**' (produced by Bill Chambers) introduced us to her honest, funny, tender songs and warm, emotive voice. Garnering comparisons to **Gillian Welch**, **Lucinda Williams** and **Kasey Chambers**, the album left fans from across the musical spectrum hankering for more. But things like motherhood, deaths and finding a quiet space to write have a way of taking up time.

"In amongst everything else I was thinking – who gives a rats arse what an aging housewife thinks about anything?!" laughs Sara in her typically dry, straight talking way. But a family trip to New Orleans *"just cracked me open – I bought an old Gibson guitar and I started writing again."*

Not long after she saw South Australian alt-country darlings **The Yearlings** (Robyn Chalklen, Chris Parkinson, BJ Barker) perform a magical gig at the Mullumbimby Music Festival *"I loved the way they drew you in just by being themselves – no posturing but so much consideration."* says Sara *"Whenever Chris plays, he has something to say you want to listen to."*

"I'd never played with The Yearlings but I knew they had a recording studio that was small and had limitations and I was attracted to that. I really wanted to own the faults and the imperfections with this album, I wanted to try and capture the joy of beautiful musicians playing together in a room. So I sent off a very basic demo to them, kind of like an invitation to a blind date. They accepted so I packed

my bags for Maslin Beach." Produced by Chris Parkinson, '**Time**' was recorded live in The Yearlings' 'My Sweet Mule' studio over a handful of days using an 8 track 1" analogue tape, all the songs going down in the first or second take. *"No fuss, no labouring. We ate beautiful food, drank far too many truly good local wines, and talked and laughed into the small hours."*

The result is a beautiful, unpretentious album that delicately holds Sara Tindley's brilliant songwriting and plaintive voice in its embrace. Opening track '**Golden**' is the kind of song **Stevie Nicks** or **Carole King** would be glad to call their own. Title track '**Time**' (a co-write with Karma County drummer **Stu Eadie**) shimmers with just the right balance of wistful longing and joy while '**Country Girl**' is a superb country gem about walking away from farms turning to dust. Later '**Little Birds**' (written for a close friend's dying mother) and '**Slow Dance**' are two simple yet incredibly tender songs of love.

The album illustrates Sara Tindley's wonderful gift for combining the emotional honesty and story telling of country music with the unadorned melodies and musicality of Australian roots and folk music. She dances with both and is married to neither. These are modern songs with a country lilt. Like the woman herself, the songs speak directly – they're vulnerable and strong, full of sharp observations and gentle acceptance. After listening to Sara Tindley's new album '**Time**' you definitely give a 'rats arse' about what she has to say – she has a way of speaking to us all.

PERFORMANCE DATES

- SAT 10 SEPT, 7.30pm** THE DRILL HALL, Mullumbimby, NSW - \$15. www.mullummusic.com
WED 21 SEPT, 7PM OLD KIRK CONCERTS YAMBA, River St, Yamba, NSW - \$15 Bookings [02] 6646 1457
30 SEPT - 2 OCT SEMAPHORE MUSIC FESTIVAL, Semaphore, SA - www.semaphoremusicfestival.com
15 & 16 OCT WINGHAM AKOOSTIK FESTIVAL, Wingham, NSW - www.winghamakoostikfestival.com.au
THU NOV 10, 8PM THE EMPIRE HOTEL, Annandale, NSW - \$15 at the door Ph. [02] 9557 1701.
SAT NOV 12 ORPHANAGE SESSIONS, MARS HILL CAFE, Parramatta, NSW - www.marshillcafe.com.au
FRI NOV 18 COURTHOUSE CAFE, Camperdown, VIC - Ph. [03] 5593 7100
SUN NOV 20 RETREAT HOTEL, with TRACEY McNEIL, Brunswick, Melbourne, VIC - Ph. [03] 9380 4090

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