When Here Meets There Maritime Tour

Troy MacGillivray

September 2008

Upcoming Events:

Sept. 26 - Strathspey Place, Mabou, NS (902.945.5300)

Sept. 27 - Centre Belle Alliance, Summerside, PEI
(Advance tickets $12 @ Sobers Music Summerside / Charlottetown; $15 at door)

Sept. 28 - The Music Barn, Sackville, NB

Sept. 29 - St. Andrew’s United Church Hall, Rexton, NB

Sept. 30 – Norton Catholic Church Hall, Norton, NB

Oct. 1 - The Courthouse, Sherbrooke Village, NS
(Tickets $10 advance or at door)

Oct. 2 - Acadia Cinema’s Al Whittle Theatre, Wolfville, NS
(Advance tickets $12 @ Just Us! Café / $15 at door)

Oct. 4 - deCoste Centre, Pictou, NS (902.485.8848)

Oct. 5 - Bicentennial Theatre, Middle Musquodoboit, NS
(Advance tickets $12 @ Reid’s Restaurant; $15 at door)

For more detailed information, please visit www.troymacgillivray.com

What do you get when you pair an ECMA Award Winner with a Canadian Grand Master Fiddle Champion? You get a dynamic live performance featuring two of the most highly acclaimed fiddlers around! “When There Meets Here” is a new CD that is a must-have for fiddle aficionados … it is the coming together of Troy MacGillivray’s driving Nova Scotian fiddle and piano with Shane Cook’s swinging Ontario-oldtime fiddle. And fiddle fans in the Maritimes will be able to hear this dynamic team live in concert as they travel around NS, NB and PEI September 26th - October 5th.

When Here Meets There is an exciting new collaboration between these two young Canadian fiddlers at the top of their game. “Shane and I have been talking about doing a project together for a while … Shane started to make a new CD that turned into both of us working on it, sharing the duties and ideas and bringing together a sound that is definitely a new feel and twist in century old tunes”, says MacGillivray. “It’s a mix of East Coast and Ontario, of bluegrass, country and Scottish tradition”.

In concert, Troy and Shane together provide an astonishing breadth of styles, tunes, and arrangements individually but together there is an obvious excitement and spark between the two players and their ensemble that is infectious. The ensemble includes New Brunswick mandolin player Ray Legere, Nova Scotia guitarist Skip Holmes and Troy’s sister, Sabra MacGillivray who dances during the show. “Ray Leger is a great friend of Shane’s and a man that I have heard of for many years and have great respect for”, says MacGillivray. Adds Cook, “He is one of the best musicians that exists who is definitely proud of his East Coast roots and it shows in his personality and his music. Skip Holmes was a regular face on “Up Home Tonight” for a number of years and has played with hundreds of fiddlers from around the world”. And MacGillivray is used to playing with his sister Sabra … they have been a powerful musical team for over 20 years! “Sabra is a highly acclaimed highland and stepdancer, not to mention plays a mean bodhran!” says MacGillivray. “It’s great to have her along on this tour—it brings a whole other dimension to the live performance.”

For more information on tickets and concert times, or to purchase When There Meets Here online, please visit www.troymacgillivray.com and www.shanecook.com. To listen to tracks from the new CD, please visit www.sonicbids.com/whenheremeetsthere

In August, Troy had the honour of being a judge for the first time at the Canadian Grand Masters Fiddling Championships in Ottawa. The Canadian Grand Masters Fiddling Championship was conceived by a group of people interested in preserving Canadian Traditional Fiddling, and giving recognition to the excellent fiddlers found across Canada. “I had a great time being on the other side of the table this year”, says Troy. “It’s a totally different perspective and not as easy as it looks with so many great fiddlers in Canada.” Quebec’s Andre Brunet was selected as the 2008 Canadian Grand Masters Champion.