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### Amityville native Steven Broderick releases first CD as solo artist



Steve Broderick, who grew up in Amityville and graduated from Amityville Schools, is a New York City based singer-songwriter who has been touring with the multi-platinum Trans-Siberian Orchestra (TSO) for 5 years. His new disc, simply titled Steve Broderick, is his first recording as a solo artist.

Broderick's solo disc is the culmination of years spent in the rock 'n roll trenches. He sang in the grimy East Village clubs and pushed it all the way to touring with legends like Bad Company and Lynyrd Skynyrd. His new solo disc spans the years spent riding the rock 'n roll roller coaster, the ups and downs like getting signed and getting dropped. In fact two songs on the new record, "Love Is Wasted On Me" and "Dripping" are from Broderick's catalog, and are responsible for the industry originally taking notice of his instantly identifiable voice. And he's still in the trenches, everyday, writing, recording, and playing live - in the tiniest songwriter's coffee house with his acoustic guitar, or in the clubs with the killer 'American Trash' band, and even performing at Madison Square Garden with TSO on Dec 27 of 2004, a dream gig for this New Yorker.

Broderick was heavily influenced by the Rolling Stones and the Black Crowes, and the album takes those influences but also pushes further into deeper waters. Steve says:

"The players involved with TSO are from many different genres including rock, jazz, Broadway and classical. Being exposed to their level of musicianship encouraged me to step it up and study and learn more about the craft, and to experiment,

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especially with some mellower music." Steve Broderick's new album features 12 original songs, all written and co-written by Broderick plus one special cover.



The collaborators on the Broderick record are an accomplished group. Steve says, "I met Mike Lutz, the album's producer when my band was opening up for Ted Nugent. Lutz wrote the classic "Smokin In The Boys Room." Mike being a Detroit guy was friendly with Blue Miller the guitarist who spent years in Bob Seger's band.

Blue has recently been involved with writing and producing India Arie. Steve, Blue and Lutz collectively wrote "Sometimes I Can't Believe You're Real" a standout song on the album. The disc is fleshed out by guitarist Joel Hoekstra who Steve had seen in the long running off Broadway show Love, Janis about the life of Janis Joplin, and a real find with drummer / studio whiz Mark Ambrosino; who tours and records with numerous artists including Stevie Wonder and Michael McDonald.

Broderick's honest and thought provoking self-titled independent album is available at:

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