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Music Reviews



Band: **CATHY-ANN MCCLINTOCK**
Album: "Self-Titled"
Label: 37 Records

As a member of Canadian bluegrass band Tumbleweed, Cathy-Anne McClintock got her first real taste of success. Although most of the time spent with the band centered around her singing the ideas to embark on a solo journey were still full of the unknown for her and even saw Cathy-Anne make the move to Southern California to find her sound as a solo act all coming together on her newly released self-titled album. Her music focuses around familiar territory as McClintock brings together a fusion of folk and bluegrass styles throughout the album, but keeps the music simple and subtle allowing for her voice to be the true focus letting the incredible lyrics be brought to life through it. She focuses on life and living it for most of this album from songs like "I Wanna Live Like That," where we see a reflective side and rebirth of sorts as the realization of all that she wants to be comes to the forefront, while songs like album opener "How Can We Be Friends," sees her focused on a love after it's finished and the hurt that still comes with it as you try to move on and stay friends with the one that broke your heart. As an added bonus we see McClintock tackle the popular Sheryl Crow hit "Strong Enough," as well as bring in Grammy Award winning folk/bluegrass star Tim O'Brien to guest with her on this album. With an acoustic base flooded together with bluegrass flare, this album allows McClintock to shine as a vocalist and songwriter more than anything thus showcasing her strongest qualities throughout the album.

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