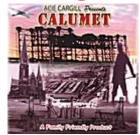
Mp3 Acie Cargill - Calumet



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Intellectual modern folk 26 MP3 Songs FOLK: Modern Folk, KIDS/FAMILY: Kid Friendly Details: Calumet is a region on the southeast side of Chicago and nearby suburbs. It also extends into northwest Indiana. It is basically the area drained by the Calumet Rivers system and Lake Calumet. 150 years ago it was a large watery paradise with millions of birds in the marshes and lakes. Many were migrating from the south to the Lake Michigan shoreline which they would follow north to their summer living grounds. In the fall the migration reversed, and it still does...but to a much lesser extent. Around the turn of the century massive steel mills, accessory industries, and residences for the workers covered the area. This album deals with some of the folklore and history of the Calumet region and includes the town of Pullman which was built as a commercial utopia in the late 1800's. One of the songs is an account of the Republic Steel massacre when strikers battled police. There are several songs dealing with the wildlife struggling to survive amidst the changes, a history of Dolton, Illinois, the music scene in Calumet City, a biographical song about a local grassroots activist, Marion Byrnes, the story of the early Dutch settlers, and the legend of Thismia Americana. The album concludes with a series of short talks about various aspects and plans going on in the area by knowledgeable people. Also a wonderful version of the Lords Prayer by the Serbian choir at St. Michael Archangel church in 1947, and a kolo dance by the famous Popovich Brothers from the Calumet. Acie Cargill has been called one of America's finest songwriters. This album is all done acoustically with stringed instruments and harmony singing by Acie's son Leo. Basically the music is contemporary folk music and is sold as Family Friendly. The artwork is by Julie Balite. jlbalite@yahoo.com.

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