

Mp3 Lauren Lee & Liberty Road - 2nd Floor



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genres. He became a member of the band in August of 2005 and completed the sound that Lauren and the guys were looking for. Their debut album, "Don't Look Back" was released July of 2006 on Four Count Records. Lauren and Sawyer lend their songwriting skills to 3 of the songs, while Jerry contributed 4 songs including the title track. The rest of the songs are all traditional standards which Lauren and the guys have added their personal style to. The new album, which is titled, 2nd Floor was released in April 2009. The album was a project that spanned over 2 years since the completion of Dont Look Back. Lauren and the band claim that 2nd Floor has taken their music to the next level of growth and maturity they were striving to reach. Choosing music for the album was a difficult process because they knew they were growing tighter as a band and wanted material that would show just that. The end result was a very personal and intimate collection of material. Lauren stuck with her traditional roots and wrote two new instrumentals, which are totally focused around the fiddle. Lauren and Sawyer together wrote one instrumental that is a true definition of their personal style and ability to combine instruments in a unique way. Jerry is featured as a songwriter on 4 tracks while lending lead vocals on 2 of his songs. There are two songs on the album that were written by influential folksingers, Jimmy LaFave and Ellis Paul. Lauren and the band hope that the listeners will be led by the emotion and purity that flows through the entire album, from the very first opening chord to the very last note. The versatility in the styles of music that is played is something that the entire band strives for. So with that passion, they strive to play music that will touch anyone of any age.

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