Mp3 Trains Across The Sea - Greetings From The Peach District



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made-up shit about what it really means as though everything that exists in a band has to exist on multiple planes and be way deepbut I made that all up after just picking the name because I liked that song and those words so much, said Gallagher. The next step in Gallaghers quest to become a serious musician comes Friday night, when Trains Across the Sea makes its Comfest debut at 10:20 p.m.the headlining sloton the Solar Stage. Trains Across the Sea will perform at 10:20 p.m. Friday on Comfests Solar Stage. This is the next level, said Gallagher. Its not telling your friends, Come to our show. This is 150 bands, more or less, and thousands of people watching. Getting into Comfest is no easy task for a band, and many might envy the fact that Gallagher accomplished it on his first try. Even so, he downplayed the competitive aspect of the situation. There really arent any losers, there are just more defined winners, he said. And for the bands that are in, now were all on the same page. Now we simply have to put on a better show than anyone else on that day. And I like that. In an age when MySpace and Facebook and digital technology make recording and distributing music to the masses easier than its ever been, Gallagher said, the world has become smaller, not largerwhich is the very essence of Comfest. With more music, we have more opportunity to support local music, Gallagher said. Everything just goes hyper-local, creating a better sense of community. I want to be a part of this local music community. Imaginewhat if you knew everyone on your iPod? As for his own decision to set aside a lucrative career for his music, Gallagher said, We just have to redefine what making it means. When people ask, What do you do? it means, basically, What services do you trade for money? All I want to do is wake up and play music. If it ends up feeding me and paying the rent, and Im living by my own terms, Im happy (doing) it for as long as I can. (URL: theotherpaper.com/articles/2009/06/25/music/doc4a43761b1ea61255848156.txt)

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