

Mp3 Daniel Miller - Southbound



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Southern Fried Pop/Rock with a twist of Blues and Country. 10 MP3 Songs POP: Folkly Pop, ROCK: Americana Details: "Well, it's basically a collection of songs about home." That's how Daniel Miller describes his upcoming debut album, Southbound . "Some are literal, others are figurative but they blend in a way that I hope conveys that type of warm image." For Miller, a current resident of Boston, home lies elsewhere. "Knoxville, Tennessee is where I grew up, where my family is and where I began to dream about a life filled with music." That dream began at a young age while sitting in on the floor of his dining room next to the family record player. "My Mom and Dad used to play all types of music and I'd just sit there, trying to understand what the folks were talking about and making up stories that I could put to the melodies. I believe that's where most of the inspiration for my own songwriting is rooted." Those days spent singing along to records eventually led him down a path of musical development. He began live performance early on by joining a singing group that performed for Pres. Clinton's '92 Inauguration, picked up a guitar in his early teens and then formed his first band in high school. "After high school I lost sight of music for a while, it wasn't until the last few months of my senior year in college that I really picked up a guitar again and began playing." It was during this period that Daniel formed what would eventually become his current band, getbox. "I began writing songs and after jamming a few times with Kevin (Morin) we decided to try to get a real group going." Since that time getbox has been blanketing the Boston area with it's bluesy funk-filled sound. In early 2004 Miller set out to put together a collection of songs he had written. "My goal was to record songs that you'd probably not hear at a getbox show. It's slowly but surely turning into a retrospective of sorts with some of my songs that we play live alongside the original songs I planned on recording. I've picked the ones that I feel that best represent mywork and my life. Some of the songs I've written for the band aren't necessarily songs I identify with any more and

they've been left off the list, so this is in many ways a release for me." In the process of planning the album, Daniel decided the best place to record was back home in Knoxville. He's enlisted the help of a who's who list of local musicians: Don Coffey Jr. (Superdrag), Mic Harrison (the V-Roys, Superdrag), Tim Lee (The Windbreakers) as well as Jodie Manross and a slew of other guest musicians. Recording the album, which will be produced by Don Coffey Jr. at his new Independent Recorders Studio, is truly a "dream come true" for Miller. "All of these guys were in the bands I grew up listening to, they're my musical idols. The entire reason we started a band in high school was to play Superdrag covers, so to have Don producing my album and for that matter having my idols play songs I've written - it just doesn't get any better." While getbox still performs regularly, Southbound marks the beginning of a bright solo career for Miller. "I'm looking forward to it, I take great pride in this project and hope that the album as well as the shows bring folks a sense of warmth and happiness."

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