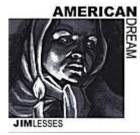
Mp3 Jim Lesses - American Dream



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Peace, social justice, trade unionism, and much more are canvassed by this Australian performer who is not afraid to wear his heart on his sleeve. 13 MP3 Songs FOLK: Political, ROCK: Folk Rock Details: In an industry full of manufactured pre-pubescent 'superstars', programmed to pout and preen on cue, the Adelaide based songwriter, Jim Lesses, presents his brand new album containing thirteen topical songs dealing with real issues that affect real people every day of the week. The songs cover a wide range of subject matters: Peace and social justice; capital punishment; trade unionism; unemployment; the human condition; and a clutch of other songs including the title track, American Dream: Man walks into a downtown store, Waving a gun, people fall to the floor, Fills up his bag then he waits for the cops, Today is the day the rat race stops. Chorus Big Mac, heart attack, any time at all, Sky high penthouse, see the body fall. Wall Street broker, hanging on a beam, They're all checking out of the American Dream. In July, 2002, Jim Lesses released his debut CD, Sometimes I Wake Up Naked (also available through CD Baby). To his delight everyone who listened to the album liked it, which encouraged him to begin recording some more material. However, since he didn't have enough money to go back into the studio and record the new songs, he decided to record and produce the album himself at home. Eighteen months, and countless hours later - this CD is the final result. Talking about this remarkable journey, Jim says: "It has been a huge learning curve for me getting these songs down over the past eighteen months. The experience has also been frustrating, challenging and immensely exhilarating at the same time. The real joy has been translating the ideas and music in my head into real sounds that make sense when the listener hears them. To say I've surprised even myself is an understatement! It's amazing what you can do with a computer, a couple of secondhand keyboards, and countless hours of spare time." Everything on the album has been performed, recorded, mixed and produced, by Jim Lesses*. A remarkable

achievement by any standards. "Jim is nothing if not 'surgically honest' in his writing and singing." Geoff Hastwell, SCALA NEWS *Note: some copyright free sound samples, taken from cover disks attached to the British magazines, Computer Music and Future Music, have been used extensively on Junk Yard Dog, and to a lesser extent on, The Future Is Theirs.

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