

Sask. native returns for CD release party

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SWIFT CURRENT

Blenders veteran and Saskatoon native Carrie Catherine (Horachek) returns to the Swift Current stage for a CD Release Party on November 16th and 17th.

Her new album, 'Green Eyed Soul', highlights her affection for the heartfelt music of artists such as Diana Ross and Al Green.

"I've been playing music for about 12 years," noted Horachek. "I grew up with typical musical experiences, like learning to play piano, but I really started writing and performing after university. I really came at music from an angle of being a poet, and sort of stumbled into songwriting. I met some guys who wanted to start a band, and it's just been the most natural, rewarding thing. Any time I have moments of doubt, something happens to make me realize how much I love music."

Horachek is excited to return to Swift Current, where she has performed several times at Blenders events and house concerts.

"I just love Swift Current," she said. "The first time I played in Swift Current was at the art gallery, and it was very early on in my solo career. That show was one of the first great audiences I ever had — they listened, they sat, and were attentive. It really woke me up to the potential of what I can do, given the right

conditions. I keep coming back to Swift Current because the conditions stay great."

Her latest CD is collection of 'Green Eyed Soul,' the apt description Horachek has given her music. Although she often uses the term to refer to her music, this album is the first time she has tried to capture it on record.

"I did a lot of things with this album that I've never done before," she noted. "Some songs on the CD we just performed as a band and recorded. My other CDs have been more refined, so I feel a little vulnerable putting this out there. But this is really truer to what I'm doing and who I want to be. It comes from the soul."

Horachek's music is inspired mainly by the people she interacts with, and experiences she's lived through.

"Often my music is about emotional events that I'm dealing with, but written in such a way that other people can connect with and relate to," she noted. "I think it's important for a performer to be relatable."

Carrie Catherine will perform at Art Gallery of Swift Current on Friday, November 16th and Saturday, November 17th. Advance tickets are \$20, or \$25 on the day of the show. Tickets are available by phoning Shann at 778-2686.



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Saskatchewan native Carrie Catherine (Horachek) will return to Swift Current, Nov. 16-17 for a CD release party.