

Andrew Handrick - Biography

Singer-songwriter, indie/folk artist, a self taught musician originally from Dublin Ireland, currently based in North West Italy.

He writes intelligent lyrics with a laid back style, coupled with passion, honesty and intensity, creating captivating and thought provoking music sung with a refreshing voice, think Elliott Smith. Nick Drake, Jose Gonzalez, William Fitzsimmons

His early years were spent listening to artist such as Elvis and Dean Martin, later moving on to bands such as The Jam, The Who, The Velvet Underground and eventually understanding the lyrical mastery of Bob Dylan. While Simon + Garfunkel and REM were a big influence on his vocals.

After playing in various bands around Dublin, Andrew went solo in 2001 and became a well respected performer on the Irish music scene.

He fronted his own band for a year in 2005 before heading off to San Francisco to play solo again over a period of 15 months, where he played various venues and began building a fine reputation as a performer, also releasing his debut and independently released album "The True Roches of Life"

Returning to Ireland in late 2007, Andrew continued to perform and collaborate with many musicians around the world while working on his songwriting craft before heading off to live in Italy in 2008, where he released an instrumental CD "Five Steps"
He released his second independent album "distractions" in 2011.

Andrew was involved in playing at the following:

IMRO Showcase Night, Heineken Green Energy Band Challenge, Emergenza Band Competition, Limerick Expo, South East Music Seminar also recording a session for the Dave Fanning show on 2FM National Radio, Guitar Festival Sarzana, Italy 2010.

His music has been played on various radio stations around the world including BBC 6 Radio UK.

As well as playing throughout Ireland, Andrew has played gigs in the UK, Italy, Spain and USA (L.A, San Francisco New York and Austin, Texas)

He is currently promoting his latest album 'distractions'