

Ron Fetner

Either through live performances or his nationally released CD's, people everywhere are fans of performing songwriter Ron Fetner. Incorporating elements of Folk, southern Appalachian, Rock and Jazz, Ron has found a voice in our American music.

Even though performing and recording projects in the seventies and eighties helped spread the word about Ron Fetner, it wasn't until his first solo release in 1997 that the buzz started to expand beyond the Mid- Atlantic region. "This Box I'm Looking Through" got immediate attention when Public Radio's "The Folk Sampler with Mike Flynn" and WHRO/Barry Graham's "Off The Shelf" played cuts on their nationally syndicated shows. Then in 2001, Ron released his second CD "Turning For Home" and was named one of the winners of the prestigious **Kerrville NewFolk** competition. This coincided with finalist awards at Doc Watson's/Merlefest Chris Austin Song Contest, Falcon Ridge's Emerging Artist Showcase, the Austin Songwriter Group and Winfield, Kansas' Walnut Valley Song Showcase.

Ron released "Defying Gravity" in the winter of 2004/2005. Included on this CD is the holiday favorite "My Name Is Justin". In 2006, "Justin" received a Gold award from the Songwriters Association of Washington in Washington's Mid-Atlantic Song Contest. Released on January 1, 2008 is the newest offering, "Sunday Morning Blue". Ron gathered a few good friends to join him in his home studio to record some of his favorite songs.

Ron has opened/ shared stages with Trisha Yearwood, David Wilcox, Nitty Gritty Dirt Band, Kate Campbell, and Dire Straits just to name a few. Ron's spiritually uplifting shows offer attendees an intimate glimpse into the world we live in. Catching one of his shows has almost become a requirement.

"truly was phenomenal, overwhelming...a unique blend of New England folk and the soul of the South." Barry Graham "Off The Shelf", WHRV.

"His gifts for writing/performing are remarkable...and moving."
Joe Henry, Acoustic Sounds Café, Little Rock, AR

" With clear-sighted lyrics, he paints powerful but unassuming images on canvas, images that remind us of the simple pleasures in life I strongly suggest to everyone that you hear Ron Fetner."
Tidewater Friends of Folk Music

"...really great music. Listeners love Ron's songs." – Mike Flynn, NPR's "The Folk Sampler"

"(Defying Gravity) a collection of thoughtful, melodic songs full of true stories and intellectually satisfying lyrical journeys...he obviously has his spiritual side, one that's especially evident in "We Have Come" and the hit-in-waiting, "My Name is Justin"... -
Jim Newsom, PortFolio Weekly, Virginia Beach, VA