

Noel Downs

BAND STORY

"Hi I'm Noel and I write poetry, ballads, and lyrics. The songs here are collaborations I've taken part in. I mostly either only write the lyric or collaborate on the lyric but occasionally I will do a melody too.

If you are interested in using any of the songs here, please feel free to contact me.

I was born in East Fremantle in Western Australia in 1964. Prior to 1997, most of my life was spent on the move. I served in the Army for thirteen years, worked as a stockman, farm labourer, horse breaker, computer programmer, I.T. manager, office manager for a Thoroughbred Stud and most recently CEO for an Aboriginal Land Council. I have seen a lot of Australia and finally settled in a place that feels like home, where Christine and I breed Arabian horses. I have always liked writing but didn't seriously start until 1989. My passion is ballads, and I see myself more of a folk writer than anything else. My words will lend themselves to any genre, mostly folk/ country. If push comes to shove I can play a passable chord progression on my guitar but I prefer to let composers with real talent and feel for music make great words greater songs. Although I have not yet been commercially published I have had some success at competition level.



SCALA, Amateur Songwriter 1999
Highly Commended
Parkes CMS, Songwriter 1999
Commended
Tamworth Songwriters Assoc, Lyric only 2000 Top 6 Finalist
Redgum Festival, Lyric only 2000 Top 5 finalist
Illabo CMS, Songwriter 2001 Winner



STATS

| Visits | Plays |
|---------|-----------|
| 634 | 52 |
| Streams | Downloads |
| 49 | 3 |

Featured Songs

-  **I Followed the Call** Folk
-  **Mary and Ethane** Folk

Indie Music, Songwriter 2001 Winner
Tamworth Songwriters Assoc, Lyric
only 2002 Top 6 Finalist
Tamworth Songwriters Assoc,
Amateur Section 2003 Semi Finalist
Tamworth Songwriters Assoc, Lyric
only 2004 Winner
Tamworth Songwriters Assoc South
East Queensland Branch, Lyric only
2004 Winner
Tamworth Songwriters Assoc South
East Queensland Branch,
Professional Section Songwriter
2005 Finalist
Tamworth Songwriters Assoc South
East Queensland Branch, Amateur
Traditional Ballad 2007 Winner
Tamworth Songwriters Assoc, Lyric
only 2009 Top 6 Finalist

Beyond poetry and lyrics I have also
written a couple of short stories.

I am looking for a composer or band
to work with on a regular basis so we
can experiment and develop a style.
Someone who I can argue and
disagree with, then drink beer with
and work out how best to make it
work instead of going separate ways.
Someone who I can bounce ideas off
and is willing to do the same....

My influences?... Chad Morgan,
Mike Nesmith, Beatles, Hot Chocolate,
Meatloaf Thanks for taking the time to
visit :)

All the songs are worth a listen but I
really like I followed the Call, To the
beat of the pipes and drum, Karin,
Mary and Ethane, I want to be a
ringer and Where do you now lie :)"

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