

SONGS YOU SHOULD KNOW BY HEART & SOME YOU DO

featuring Peter & Brendan Mayer, Tim Flannery & Garratt Wilkin

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PETER MAYER & SON BRENDAN MAYER Headliner Act

Peter Mayer is a guitarist, vocalist, songwriter, touring musician and recording artist in Nashville, Tennessee. With his unique writing style, distinctive voice and virtuoso musicianship, Mayer creates compelling and

soulful music for an electrifying live performance. Mayer has released 13 albums to date and tours year round with the Peter Mayer Group. He is the lead guitarist in Jimmy Buffett's Coral Reefer Band and has shared the stage with a variety of artists such as James Taylor, Don Henley, Joe Walsh and Ringo Starr.

As a young child in Tamilnadu, India (where his parents were Lutheran Missionaries), Peter Mayer had a passion for music. Drawing musical influence from his upbringing, Mayer's music evokes melodic notes such as music and lyrics of The Beatles, traditional Indian music, church hymns and jazz standards. After moving back to the United States, he went on to study formal theory and composition and taught jazz guitar as a faculty member at Webster University. In 1988, Mayer released his debut album for Warner Brothers Records with the group PM. Working with producer Elliott Scheiner (Steely Dan, Aretha Franklin, Bruce Hornsby) — this album produced the single "Piece of Paradise," charting to number eight on *Billboard*. Mayer began touring with Jimmy Buffett's Coral Reefer band in 1988 as lead guitarist, a position that he holds to this day. He regularly tours with his own bands, including The Peter Mayer Group, The Peter Mayer trio and Peter Mayer's Songs of Faith, and with his son Brendan Mayer.



TIM FLANNERY

It's easy to think of Tim Flannery as a baseball man turned musician turned philanthropist but in all honesty all of these aspects of his life overlap, making it hard to discern where one ends and another begins. Regardless which role he's in Tim "Flan" Flannery is a storyteller and one of the last old dogs.

Tim retired from professional baseball after the 2014 season having celebrated winning three world series titles with the San Francisco Giants (2010, 2012, 2014). He spent his 36 years in the game — 11 years as a player with the San Diego Padres and 18 years as a coach for both the Padres and the Giants, plus playing or managing in the minors mixed in there. It was a way to honor the game he loves. He took to being in front of the camera as a baseball analyst for both the MLB Network and NBC Bay Area Sports. He currently is with ESPN.

Through those 30 plus years and even before his time on the field, his guitar was a constant companion so music was part of Flan before, during and after baseball. He released his first studio album *Looking Back* in 1997 and has consistently released albums through today. He has 12 studio albums and one live album. He is currently performing dates to support his 14th album *The Light* which is a journey to find, hope, faith, love, light in a world where darkness seems much easier to see. The 11 tracks of original music are drenched in real life experiences that has led Tim through darkness, pain, and disappointment, to find peace and hope in today's sometimes confusing human climate. His 13th album, which was released last year, *The Last of the Old Dogs*, gave life to new stories about the characters he's met over the years on the road, while also delivering important messages about love, work, being an outlaw, and knowing when to fight for what you believe in.

With a voice as smooth as Kentucky bourbon and a heart worn on both sleeves, Flan's performances ebb and flow with brilliant melodies and soaring harmonies. As a talented and prolific singer/songwriter, Flan's music enjoys radio support across the planet, from the shores of Ireland to beach towns up and down the California coast. Flan has been joined onstage by the likes of Jackson Brown, Bruce Hornsby, Garth Books, Jimmy Buffett, Bob Weir and many others.

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GARRATT WILKIN

Garratt Wilkin & The Parrotheads was formed in Northern California in 1999 with some great local musicians who found they were performing more Jimmy Buffett songs by request. Garratt's band The Whiskey Ducks continued to receive more and more requests for Jimmy

Buffett songs and was becoming known as the "Buffett Band." One night, Garratt was approached by an agent and was asked if they would perform a show singing only Buffett songs and as they say in show business, "the rest is history."

Since their initial transformation from Garratt Wilkin & The Whiskey Ducks to Garratt Wilkin & The Parrotheads, exclusively performing Jimmy Buffett music, the Parrotheads have performed as a six-piece "core" band and up to as large as a 13-piece band including Steel Drums, Horn Section, Harmonica and Pedal Steel Guitar. Garratt was quoted as saying, "Performing with the big band gives us the closest representation of the Coral Reefers and creates the look, feel and sound of being at a Jimmy Buffett concert."

At the age of sixteen, Garratt picked up the guitar while traveling through Oregon. He began to play at campgrounds and campfires, learning what he could from other traveling musicians. Growing up near Hollywood, California, Garratt began acting in television and films at an early age. He has appeared in numerous television programs and feature films. At age seven, he was cast in his first episodic role on television in Jack Webb's "Dragnet." He went on to land other acting roles on such television programs as "Bonanza," "The Walton's" and "James at 16." As Garratt learned the acting craft, he began to be cast in starring and co-starring roles. In one of his finer parts, he appeared as the blind son of actor John Ireland in Michael Landon's "Little House on the Prairie." He appeared in the Season Premiere of "Happy Days" as Joanie Cunningham's romantic interest and co-starred with Susan St. James in an episode of "Mash." He also starred in Walt Disney's first PG rated film, "Midnight Madness" featuring Michael J. Fox, David Naughton and Steven First. In the ABC Movie of the Week, "Pigs vs. Freaks," Garratt starred as a hippie in the 1960's, acting opposite Brian Dennehy, Tony Randall and Patrick Swayze. During the filming, Garratt and Patrick became good friends, due in part, to their common interest in songwriting and

music. Garratt said, "We were filming on location in Oregon and the band playing in the lounge of the hotel we were staying at was Larry Mahan's backup band, 'The All American Cowboy Band.' After all day on the set, Pat and I would show up and sing with the band all night." Garratt's music ability won him a part as a musician on a television pilot for NBC. This was Garratt's first experience in a recording studio, where he recorded the theme song, "Instant Family" and got to work with Neil Diamond's record producer, Jeff Barry.

Garratt's interest in a music career grew more important to him. He began writing his own songs, telling of his own adventures, with a special style that he attributes to the influences of Jimmy Buffett, Jerry Jeff Walker, Merle Haggard and Rodney Crowell. Garratt has written a song dedicated to Jimmy Buffett and his loyal fans, "Parrotheads," entitled "Gumbo Rock Pirate." This song, along with a variety of other Buffett hits, will be on an upcoming CD performed by Garratt Wilkin & The Parrotheads.

Garratt Wilkin & The Parrotheads are experiencing an expanding popularity while headlining fairs and festivals in not only his own hometown of Placerville, California, but throughout all of the Western United States, including Alaska and Hawaii, and as far away as Florida, Texas, Vermont, Delaware, Massachusetts, Connecticut and Nashville, Tennessee. Garratt and his band have been billed as the #1 Jimmy Buffett tribute band. Garratt says, "Traveling with The Parrotheads is a great way to meet Jimmy Buffett fans and to make new 'Parrothead' friends. We get such a kick out of performing for fans that become just as much a part of the show as we are."