

Instrumental Super-Collective Releases New Album

VICTORIA - Vancouver Island world music supergroup *Three Worlds* – comprised of acclaimed instrumental virtuosos Brad Prevedoros, Niel Golden, and Greg Joy – are releasing their debut collectively-created album in Victoria this November 4th and 5th. Both the new record and the release events (one show in Sidney and one close to downtown Victoria) will feature the trio's unique blend of world music styles that is turning even the most cynical heads in the Canadian music industry.

Brad Prevedoros is renowned for his instrumental virtuosity, exuberant live performances, original compositions, and innovative re-imaginings of works by other composers. His repertoire of multi-genre music engages his audience through a mix of Jazz, Latin, Pop, Classical, Celtic, and Folk. Since 1988, Prevedoros has released ten internationally distributed recordings and sold nearly half a million CDs. His album *In Motion* was nominated for a 2003 Western Canadian Music Award for Instrumental Album of the Year. In 2006, through public vote, Prevedoros won Monday Magazine's Performer award. His recordings have been included in over twenty music compilations.

Niel Golden is a percussionist specializing in tabla hand drums. Niel's masterful interpretation of Indian Classical music, African, Blues, and other world music styles - over a three decade career - has propelled him into the realm of internationally-respected percussionists. A highlight of his performances is his manipulation of the new and elusive Hang (pronounced Hung), a flying saucer-esque instrument

from Switzerland. In addition to collaborating with internationally acclaimed artists Harry Manx and Xavier Rudd, Golden's musical contributions have earned him nominations for three Juno Awards and two Western Canadian Music Awards.

Greg Joy brings a fusion of Celtic, Baroque, folk-rock, and contemporary jazz elements to the mix, through his mastery of guitar, flute, mandolin, and hammered dulcimer. Joy has recorded eighteen albums, which have sold over a quarter of a million copies world-wide. His music has also been used on many compilation albums in Europe and South-east Asia.

The release of a new record by any one of these three musicians would be cause for celebration. The release of this collective *Three Worlds* offering is arguably the Island's World Music event of the year.

When asked to explain the appeal and success of their instrumental sound, Greg Joy observed "There is a mesmeric quality to what we do." Prevedoros added "I think people like the fact that we're not trying to hit them over the head with a message."

The only message here is – get your tickets soon, because they are going to go fast.

Summary & Details:

Event #1:

What: *Three Worlds* CD Release, featuring Brad Prevedoros, Niel Golden, and Greg Joy.

When: Friday November 4th, 8pm

Where: Charlie White Theatre in Sidney, 2243 Beacon Avenue.

Tickets/Info: \$20 +HST at the door. For advance tickets, call 250-656-0275 or go to www.marywinspear.ca

Event #2:

What: Three *Worlds* CD Release, featuring Brad Prevedoros, Niel Golden, and Greg Joy.

When: Saturday November 5th, 8pm

Where: St. Ann's Academy Auditorium in Victoria, 835 Humboldt Street.

Tickets/Info: \$20 at the door. Advance tickets at Munro's Books, 1108 Government (cash only) or call 1-888-539-5319 to reserve by credit card.

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