



FULL BIO:

“Thoughtful and provocative, laden with metaphors of hope and celebration for life. It’s the stuff that makes feel good music feel so good”.- Patrick Kirchner, The Fly Magazine.

S/SW Mark DeRose has had the pleasure of opening for national touring artists Rusted Root, Gin Blossoms, Michelle Branch, Edwin McCain, Blues Traveler, The Sugar Hill Gang and Josh Kelley. As well, he performed as part of an NFL halftime show for the Baltimore Ravens and his music has been featured for use on daytime television.

The core of the band is held down by DeRose on guitars and keys, Chris Jakubowicz on bass and Dan Brenner on drums. A rich layer of melodic goodness is then added by DREADNOUGHT’s two man horn section of Ryan Shenk on tenor and soprano sax, and Blake Hillard on Trumpet. Additionally, DeRose loves the opportunity to take advantage of his bandmate's ability to sing harmony vocals, frequently adding the use of 3 and 4 part harmonies to their songs.

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ELEVATOR PITCH:

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