



MEDIA ADVISORY
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Nashville North

10 days in Nashville. 10 new songs. 1 night only.

Friday, February 3rd at 7:30 pm

St. Albert, AB – After a 10-day period of collaborative song writing in the heart of “Music City”, Alberta-based musicians **James Murdoch** and **Jay Sparrow** return home to debut their brand new songs at the **Arden Theatre**. In this *Arden Original* event on **February 3rd**, guests will be among the first to hear James and Jay’s new music, and will be a part of their unique Nashville experience as they record a live album from the Arden stage. Nashville North... It doesn’t get more original than this!

"This is one of the most ambitious and rewarding projects either of us have had the opportunity to work on. In the vein of the Nashville storytelling songwriters, Jay and I have woven a narrative through all 10 songs we co-wrote. It's almost like the libretto of a rock opera except its roots/country. On top of that we'll have an animation projected on stage, enacting the story being told in the music. Oh yeah, and we're recording the whole thing live!" ~ James Murdoch

Multi-award nominated, songwriter, and producer James Murdoch is known for beautifully crafted songs – a subtle blend of roots wrapped in pop sensibility, highlighted by his powerful vocal talent, and vivid storytelling. He has written with such iconic Canadian writers as Tom Wilson, Josh Finlayson, and Andrew Cash, and is equally at home on stage either solo, duo, or with his full band. Having gained notoriety as a part of the vivacious Edmonton-based punk rockers Murder City Sparrows, guitarist Jay Sparrow has begun anew as a solitary, countrified-folk singer/songwriter.

The two talents team up for one night only with their 5-piece band to premiere *Lay Down Your Arms, Facing Forward, Mad & Crazy, Opened Up, Juvenile*, and more, in an event that will surely be as exciting for themselves as it will be for every lucky member of the audience. For an acoustic teaser of *Lay Down Your Arms*, click [here](#).

Tickets for *Nashville North* are **\$32** (plus facility fee). Visit the **Arden Theatre Box Office** in person (5 St. Anne Street), purchase by phone at 780-459-1542, or through Ticketmaster* at 1-855-985-5000 or ticketmaster.ca.

*Agency fee in effect.

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