

Joe Linus

Joe Linus is a modern urban folk songwriter with a tender grit vocal, pouring out his vivid cautionary tales over languid, finger-plucking rhythms on acoustic string guitar.*

Based in Northern California, Joe Linus released his first full length cd GUNPOWDER TEA in 2005, earning a 5 star rating from Roots Music Report, and has since been energizing audiences with his minimal stylings and eloquent lyrical narrative, laying bare the conflicts of love and life against a timeless American landscape.

Through the inward-looking nature of his songs, Joe Linus persuades even the coldest heart to beat again, as he grasps for slender threads of hope, if ultimately in vain. He draws his listeners in closely to witness the dark and beautiful melancholy of dreams laid once again to waste. Smoothly vibrant in his simple execution, he leaves his audiences uplifted and wanting more.

*(At very special events, Joe Linus may bring his backing ensemble, *The Pretty Saro*, adding a wondrous dimension to his presentation. Upright bassist, backing vocalist harmony, a squeeze box and a slide guitar, the scale and combinations are tailored for the moment's potential entertainment, yet always evocative of the singer's core values.)

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