



Al Petteway & Amy White

Original & Traditional
Celtic & Appalachian Acoustic Groove



GRAMMY AWARD-WINNING GUITARIST . INDIE AWARD-WINNING DUO
as heard on the Ken Burns documentary, *The National Parks: America's Best Idea*

"...caffeinated, jazz-spiked acoustic brew."

-- THE WASHINGTON CITY PAPER

"...music of transporting power and beauty...shaped not only by a keen sense of lyricism and dynamics, but also a quiet soulfulness that continually draws in the listener."

-- THE WASHINGTON POST

"...a sonorous and often sensual spell which is impossible to shake off... a musical odyssey worth investigating."

--FOLK ROOTS MAGAZINE

"Simply one of the finest albums of Celtic-influenced music you are likely to hear... stunning...awesome...majestic..."

-- DIRTY LINEN

"Mesmerizing tone poems... just pure music..."

sumptuous portraits of life situations with a remarkable measure of clarity and color."

-- JAZZTIMES

"Petteway's guitar and White's piano twist and climb with a sharp, deep playfulness through essentially bittersweet territory... I felt as if I had been escorted over the hard edge by angels."

-- THE WASHINGTON POST

Award-winning, critically acclaimed, passionate and playful, Al & Amy offer an intoxicating blend of musical styles. Their repertoire includes original, traditional, contemporary Celtic- and Appalachian-influenced music with occasional nods to rock and jazz. Their performances feature acoustic guitar, mandolin, Celtic harp, piano, banjo, lap dulcimer, world percussion, and a touch of vocals.

Before moving from the Washington, DC area to the mountains of Western North Carolina, Al & Amy won 50 WAMMIE Awards from the Washington Area Music Association. In addition, they were awarded 5 separate grants from the Maryland State Arts Council for both music composition and instrumental performance. They won an INDIE from The Association for Independent Music, and Al won a GRAMMY from the National Academy of Recording Arts and Sciences. Al was voted one of the Top 50 Guitarists of all time by the readers of *Acoustic Guitar Magazine* and in 2008 he won Silver and Bronze medals in the magazine's "Players' Choice Awards."

Al & Amy's music was featured throughout the soundtrack of the 2009 Ken Burns EMMY-winning documentary, *The National Parks: America's Best Idea*. And in 2010, their album, *Caledon Wood*, (which includes the main theme of the *National Parks* documentary) was counted among the essential albums of the past 20 years in the *Acoustic Guitar Magazine* 20th anniversary issue.

Al & Amy enjoy living in their mountain aerie at 4300 feet elevation, with stunning long-range views and wildlife as constant inspiration. This mountain-top setting has greatly influenced their recent musical works, and has also spurred their return to photography. Both Al & Amy's photographs are represented by The National Geographic Society's Image Collection, where Al worked as an image editor for 18 years. In addition to concerts and workshops, Al & Amy now also offer winter-themed and 4-season multi-media shows which feature live music performed against a backdrop of nature photography.

Among many other pursuits, Al continues to teach private lessons and records video lessons for "Dream Guitars," a high-end music store in the Asheville area. He also coordinates "Guitar Week" for the world famous music camp, *The Swannanoa Gathering*. And in early 2010, Amy launched Cat Angel Press which released its first full-color gift-book, *Cat Angels: The Secret Lives of Cats*. There are more angels and books to come.

High in the Blue Ridge, Al & Amy's most recent recording of Appalachian- and Celtic-inspired melodies, was released in early 2011. Due to high demand, the duo is currently planning a DVD of nature photography and original music as a companion to their popular multi-media shows. In the meantime, you are welcome to follow Al & Amy on Facebook and YouTube. You can also sign up on their mailing list to be alerted to their new releases, upcoming concert dates, and more.

Available for Concerts, Multi-Media Performances, Workshops & Master Classes in Fingerstyle Guitar & Altered Tunings
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