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2012 Independent Music Review

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Sid's Gasteria

Artist: Gary Paul Hermus



RATING
3.0



Songwriting - 3.25 || Music - 3.0 || Singing - 2.75

Web: www.GaryPaulHermus.com

Location: Santa Fe, New Mexico

Genre: Folk/Acoustic

Key Tracks: Johnnie B (Sid's Gasteria)

On his latest album release titled, SID's GASTERIA, Gary Paul Hermus has waved the smelling salts underneath his acoustic guitar's nose and opened up a clear path to the heart of folk music. The Brooklyn-born musician has spent the past five decades honing his gift of music and it is evident when you hear his songs.

"Johnnie B" is a pretty cool tune where Gary reminisces about the yesteryears when this classic service station, Sid's Gasteria, was in business and the place was more than just a gas station. You can hear Gary's sincerity and the fact that he truly misses the "good ole days" that make up the body of the song's overall message. The music and vocals are pretty good and I almost felt a personal connection to Sid's Gasteria. Great song!

In addition to Johnnie B, SID's GASTERIA offers up more great folk tunes, including: Jose Tejas, Miles From Canaan, El Dorado. Each song has a unique identity and showcases Gary's musical prowess.

Gary Paul Hermus is a talented musician with a good EP that I'd recommend checking out if you're looking for good folk music.

MUSICAL GOAL: "I want to Bring colorful characters and solid stories to audiences, within well-crafted lyrics, and beautiful music. I'm primarily a storyteller at heart. When people are engaged in the story of the song, it's like telling a good yarn around a camp fire. I love it when people want to read the lyrics as much as when they want to listen to the music." - Gary Paul Hermus

Review by: Senseitonal

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