

Phillip Brown Bio

For as long as he can remember Phillip Brown has been interested in two things: music and serving his country with the Canadian Forces. Born and raised in Toronto, Ontario, Phillip grew up listening to folk music, so naturally he took a liking to the genre. His father taught him to play the guitar at the age of nine. Ever since, he's never put it down. At the age 16 Phil joined the Canadian Army Reserve. His skill and determination as a soldier allowed him to progress quickly, and in only a couple of years he began to instruct and train other members to become effective in their trade. In 2005, Phil had a chance to fulfill a life long dream of his and served on overseas operations in Afghanistan and the Persian Gulf. He has since safely returned to Canada.

Phillip began writing music at the age of fifteen. For influence he drew on the songs of some of the Canadian greats of folk music such as Gordon Lightfoot, Bruce Cockburn and the late Stan Rogers. Phillip also believes that his own father's music has had a great and positive effect on his writing. In 2004 he felt that he had finally come into his own as a musician and songwriter. He immediately began work on his first record.

In the spring of 2006, he released his debut album titled "At Home." Later that same year Phil followed this release with a second CD, titled "Café Mirage," from which the song "Sometimes" was nominated for and Ontario Independent Music Award.

"Winter Hymn" is Phillip's third studio album. It was produced by award-winning producer Paul Mills. Phil wanted to make the album the best that it could be, so with the help of his producer he recruited bass player David Woodhead and renowned guitarist Jason Fowler. The album contains some of Phil's best song writing yet. The music is thoughtful and passionate. The songs are full of ideas about living in the city, travelling through Ontario and appropriate to the album title they contain vivid imagery of winter landscapes.

Phil has become known for his skillful guitar playing and unique style of finger picking. With his surprising song writing ability and fantastic guitar playing Phillip Brown should continue to impress audiences and industry professionals for a long time to come.