

Kerry Patrick Clark

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Kerry Patrick Clark is a former New Christy Minstrel, a chart-topping folk, Americana and Christian musician, and a recording artist who appears on tour nationally. He is also, finally, releasing his long-anticipated 8th album, *The Heart of Christmas*, a poignant and heartwarming collection of mostly original songs with some new twists on favorite classics and even the live recording of his very own spoken word poetry.

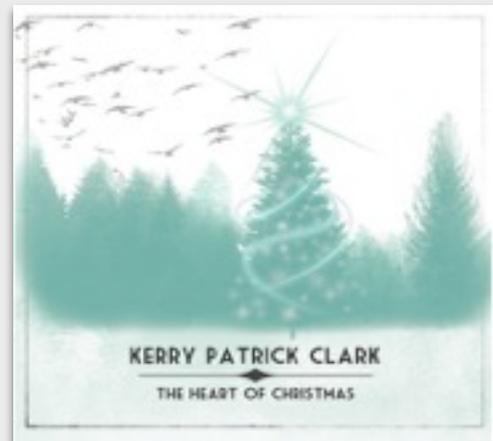
While it may seem inevitable that every musician eventually puts out a Christmas album, it took Kerry more than 30 years to finally get to his. In part, it's because he didn't want to merely record variations of the same traditional songs. Instead, he had to let time do what time does best—cultivate life experiences, deepen relationships, hone talent and develop courage. These are just some of the things he needed in order to create an album that reflects his own experience of Christmas, which is far more than merely exulting the joy and glory of the season. "I believe in Christmas and what it stands for—peace, grace, an experience of the sacred—but that doesn't mean I'm not also cynical, sad, frustrated, angry and intolerant. Every time I heard a new Christmas album I thought, 'why isn't there one that addresses the challenges of the season or tells the birth story in maybe a more profound way?' So decided to do that. Combine the Christian and the secular, the cynical and the sacred."

To be clear, *love* is the heart of Christmas, but his songs grapple with issues of war and loss alongside the Christian themes of miracles and faith. He also pays homage to what might be the most treasured and reviled dessert in history: the fruitcake. And, as an added bonus for anyone who has not had the pleasure of experiencing Kerry perform live, he includes a humorous rant against holiday consumerism. *The Heart of Christmas* is just that: filled with heart. It makes room for a broad range of conflicting emotions and ultimately leads us back to the reason we celebrate: love.

Title: The Heart of Christmas
Release Date: October 28, 2016

Track List:

Hope Grows (Reprise)
Three Months Before Christmas
The Heart of Christmas
Shine
Everybody Sing Hope/Joy To The World
Oh Holy Night
Fruitcake Round
Hark The Herald Angels We Have Heard On High
My Dear Sister Janet
What I Want For Christmas
Joey's Star
The Finest Christmas Gift
Auld Lang Syne



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For fans of: John Mayer, Ed Sheeran, James Taylor, Kenny Loggins, David Wilcox, John Gorka