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NEIL ROBERTSON – ‘WAKE UP THE DEAD’

‘**Wake Up The Dead**’ is the brilliant new album by Melbourne based singer/songwriter **Neil Robertson**.

The album is a substantial work, clocking in at 50 minutes with twelve powerful, catchy and strongly lyrical songs of acoustic folk/pop/rock. The songs are punctuated by crisp acoustic guitars, mandolin, a driving rhythm section and some beautiful backing harmonies.

The songwriting is of the highest quality and includes upbeat road songs (**Rocking Down My Road**), songs about Melbourne (**City of the Free**), funny and poignant odes to love (**What She Wants** and **Kryptonite**) as well as powerful comments on society in the early 21st century (**Wake Up The Dead**, **Change The World**). The fourth track on the album, **Celebration**, won Robertson the 2006 Roddy Read songwriter’s award at the Maldon Folk Festival.

The album is a true solo effort and was written, produced, recorded and mixed by Robertson, with a little musical help from some of Melbourne’s most talented musicians and singers.

Robertson has been writing, performing and recording on the local Melbourne music scene as a solo artist and with a number of bands and acoustic/roots projects since the 1990s. **Wake Up The Dead** is his eighth independently released CD. His previous releases include **Welcome To Your Life** (1991), **Galaxy** (1992) and **Deep In My Mind** (1994) (all solo EPs), full length album **Buzz** (1996) and a self titled EP **The Blowflies** (1998) with original rock band **The Blowflies**, mini album **Hypercynical** (1999) with **Hercules** and full length album **Issue #1** (2003) with original acoustic duo **Androgyny**. **Wake Up The Dead** is his first full length solo album.

Robertson is also currently playing with **Wendy Ealey, Moira Tyers and Leticia Maher** in great new four piece roots/harmony outfit **Unsung** (www.myspace.com/unsungers), who backed him on several tracks on the album. **Unsung** are performing local venues and festivals to rave reviews from the punters.

Wake Up The Dead is available at Neil Robertson and **Unsung** gigs and also online through CD Baby and Indie-CDs.

Or check out these links for more details and sample tracks:
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