

The Acoustic Showdown Winner Is Tom O'Connor!

Competing against several other Binghamton area singer/songwriters at York Productions (140 Front Street, Binghamton, NY) on Friday, July 5, Tom O'Connor took first prize. Tom won a three song recording package from York Productions and opening spots at both July Fest at the Rivertrail & York Productions with headliner Born Without Bones. O'Connor will use the recordings to demo new songs that may be used on an upcoming release.

Tom O'Connor is a singer/songwriter who grew up in Binghamton, New York. He has released two full length albums and amassed a large fan base in his adopted hometown of Washington, D.C. Tom attended West Virginia University and played on their ice hockey team. He spent his off seasons learning guitar and writing his first songs. By the time he graduated in 2005, Tom was routinely performing throughout the area eventually relocating to Arlington, Virginia. With influences ranging from Dave Matthews, Ryan Adams and Zac Brown to Will Hoge, Tom Petty and Matchbox Twenty, his sound is described as "roots rock with a pop-country twist." O'Connor has performed nearly 500 shows at venues throughout the United States and currently is writing for his highly anticipated third album. Tom is in the process of trying to identify a few different producers that he might want to work with for the project. The release date is expected to be sometime next year and will be accompanied by a full time touring schedule.

Besides kicking off the first ever Rivertrail extension of July Fest last month, Tom has performed at a number of festivals including the Texas Rock Fest, Celebrate Fairfax, Cape May Singer/Songwriter Festival, Millennium Music Conference, Steamtown Original Music Showcase, Del Ray Music Fest, New York State Fair, Takoma Park Folk Fest, Northern Virginia Fine Arts Fest and many others. The last few months Tom has been sticking to playing shows regionally, with the exception of a couple of trips to Nashville, TN. However, he hopes to get back to the west coast and the southwest for some dates in the Spring of 2014.



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You can catch Tom O'Connor performing live at these gigs:

- Fri. 8/2 at 8pm Crooked Rooster Watkins Glen, NY
- *Fri. 8/9 at 7pm Remlik's Binghamton, NY
- *Thurs. 8/15 at 7pm Remlik's Binghamton, NY
- Fri. 8/16 at 9pm Nickel's Pit BBQ Watkins Glen, NY
- Thurs. 8/22 at 2:30pm New York State Fair Syracuse, NY
- Thurs. 8/22 at 8pm Gallagher's Irish Pub Binghamton, NY
- Fri. 8/23 at 7pm John Barleycorn Owego, NY
- Sat. 8/24 at 7pm Zona & Co. Grille Binghamton, NY
- Sun. 8/25 at 10am Chris Thater Memorial Rec. Park Binghamton, NY

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