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GRANT-LEE PHILLIPS

For more than 25 years **Grant-Lee Phillips** has been a river running through the American music landscape. From his seminal 90s band Grant Lee Buffalo through the woody, folky sounds of his later solo years, his music has tested the depths of alternative rock, pop, Americana and other modern traditions.

In a career defined by risk and reflection, Phillips returns to Australia with two very special shows exclusive to Melbourne, off the back of his latest album, *The Narrows*.

Uprooting his life from California to landlocked Tennessee in 2013, Phillips went off in the hope of a quieter life, and familiar surroundings likened to his early home life – his dad being from Arkansas, and his mum Oklahoma, and a soundtrack of boyhood seeping in Nashville.

This concentrated nexus of romance, recollection, historic struggles and tragedies, and peerless craftsmanship – coupled with the hopes, fears, and isolation that accompany transition – formed the backdrop of his latest and eighth album release.

Thirteen songs that pivot between the personal and historical, the album’s marked by longing and a resolute sense of purpose that balances a personal history from birthplace, into marriage, fatherhood and the passing of his own father.

From 2012’s *Walking in the Green Corn* that brought his own Native American heritage to the fore, the assured, contemplative alt-country of freshly minted album *The Narrows* is evidence enough that Phillips has secured his position among the American music greats.

These intimate shows at The Toff in Town are not to be missed.

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