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LORETTA HAGEN LUCKY STARS

In every life, there are inevitable times of darkness and of light. Loretta Hagen's fourth CD "Lucky Stars," takes the listener on a personal journey through loss, healing, and ultimately the promise of hope.

Four years in the making, "Lucky Stars" brings Loretta's journey full circle, when faced with the heartache of illness, death, and going on without loved ones so cherished. She finds solace in the promise of new beginnings, love, and the inherent knowledge that our Lucky Stars are watching over us.

Reviewers describe award winning singer-songwriter **Loretta Hagen** as *'heart driven, soul filling, Folk Americana.'* Her rich alto voice and strong songwriting skills have led her to win many awards, including a **JAM Awards' (Jersey Acoustic Music Awards)** "Top Female Songwriter of the Year," JAM nomination for "Album of the Year," winner of the **NJ Folk Festival Songwriter Competition** and 2 time designation as a **CT Folk Festival** finalist.

Loretta's third CD, "Mud and Stone," well received by DJs worldwide, debuted at **#10 on Folk DJ Charts**, consistently **#1 on the Roots Music Report** for NJ, **#5 Top 50 Folk Albums RMR**, and topped many best of lists. Five years later the album is still going strong, recently receiving 4 nominations for the **Just Plain Folk Awards** with awards being announced late fall 2017.

"This effort [Mud and Stone] is first class, top tier, a true contender as an artist to reckon with." **John Apice ~ No Depression**

"I've always enjoyed Loretta Hagen's music since I first heard her a few years back. Loretta's songs sound incredible."

Ron Olesko, WFDU-FM 89.1, Traditions Radio Show

"Her lyrics are as genuine and earthy as the lady herself. Loretta's honeyed voice and uplifting melodies help us find a way through."

Joe Pzonek WMSC Radio Nowhere

"Loretta Hagen writes songs that sound like they can come from the Heartland, but they also really come from the heart."

John Platt, WFUV 90.7 FM

"Loretta Hagen is back with "Lucky Stars"... a very nicely produced recording featuring eleven thoughtful and reflective songs by Loretta, that are beautifully sung with lovely accompaniment. Definitely worth checking out." Jan Hall, Folk Roots Radio with Jan Hall

- 1. Where Are The Rainbows:** (3:23) Soulful, folk ballad about searching for hope, and luck. (featuring **Maia Sharp** on tenor sax)
- 2. Now That I'm Able:** (3:57) Inspiring, upbeat folk/pop song about coming out of the darkness and living life again.
- 3. Lucky Stars:** (4:50) Heart felt folk song expressing gratitude for the wonderful people and animals in my life, and those who watch over us from the stars above.
- 4. This World Of Ours:**(3:30) Driving Americana song for the times we are living in about taking care of the earth and one another. *"Each soul on this planet is equal and matters."*
- 5. I Will Send My Love:** (3:59) Acoustic folk ballad with a message written in my mother's words from Heaven, telling me she is watching over me and sending her love. (featuring **Michael G. Ronstadt**, on cello)
- 6. Break:** (3:10) Medium tempo Americana song about emotionally breaking down after trying to be strong and holding it together for so long.
- 7. Believe:** (3:07) Upbeat inspiring folk song about letting go of negative words and thoughts that shake our confidence so that we can believe in ourselves and reach for our dreams.
- 8. Ladders:** (4:11) Medium tempo folk song about slowing down and allowing the right time for our dreams to come to fruition.
- 9. You Were Brave:** (5:07) Heartfelt acoustic ballad tribute to my mother and my sister who both fought a brave fight against terrible diseases (ALZ and ALS respectively) with grace and dignity. (featuring **Tracy Grammer** on violin)
- 10. You'll Be Safe Here:** (3:59) Sweet acoustic ballad written for the orphaned fawns and deer that find safe haven at a beautiful wildlife preserve in NJ called Antler Ridge Wildlife Sanctuary, where I had the pleasure of visiting and feeding the babies.
- 11. Welcome Spring:** (3:31) Upbeat soulful song to welcome the beautiful season of Spring and the new beginnings and promise it brings.

Loretta Hagen acoustic guitar, lead & back vox 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11

Gary Hagen acoustic guitar , 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 8, 11 back vox 2, 3, 4, 6, 7, 8 electric guitar 2, 7

Mark Dann bass 1, 2 ~ **Teri Avella** bass 4, 6, 7 ~ **Andrew Hulle** drums 1, 4, 6 ~ **Curtis Kretz** drums 8

Linda Lambiase snare 2, 3 back vox 2, 3, 4, 6, 7, 8 djembe 7 ~ **Marianne Osiel** flute 11

Craig Aiken bass 3, 11 ~ **Kyle Hancharick** back vox 3 ~ **Donna Gebbia** back vox 3, keyboards 4, 6, 7 ~ **Debbie Maggiulli** back vox 3

Maia Sharp Tenor Sax 1 ~ **Michael G. Ronstadt** cello 5 ~ **Tracy Grammer** violin 9



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