



Scott Cook

"He sings his heart and soul, and in doing so lets light flood into your own... A good eye for imagery, a gentle human touch, a wry sense of humour, a whole lot of integrity, a warm, rugged voice... Truly one of Woody Guthrie's children." –David Burke, *RnR Magazine*

"Scott Cook's seventh 'love letter to the world' is all strings and beauty, a 12-song agnostic endorsement of love over fear... It doesn't condemn, it summons to one fire. ★★★★★" –Fish Griwkowsky, *The Edmonton Journal*

"One of Canada's most inspiring and imaginative storytellers... beautifully written lyrics, intricate chordal patterns and a refreshing plain-spoken vocal clarity" –*Maverick Country*

"As good a modern folkie as we have these days. A voice perfect for the genre. An understanding beyond the norm" –Frank Gutch, Jr., *No Depression*

"Scott Cook has distilled his travels down into songs powered by a sharp eye for imagery, a healthy dose of humanity, and that unforgettable voice, that at the same time intones the rigors of the road and the most comfortable couch you have ever slept on." –David Francey

A roots balladeer with a rare personal warmth, Alberta's Scott Cook has distilled the stories collected over thirteen years of near-incessant touring across Canada, the USA, the UK, Europe, Asia, Australia, New Zealand and elsewhere into straight-talking, keenly observant verse. He brings humour, a disarming honesty and a deep love of humanity to his songcraft and storytelling, whether accompanying himself with fingerstyle guitar and clawhammer banjo or backed by his acoustic trio the Second Chances. He has made his living as a troubadour since 2007, and independently released seven albums along the way. All the hard miles notwithstanding, he still believes that songs can change your life, and your life can change the world.

- Averaged over 150 shows and a dozen festivals each year from 2007 'til lockdown
- Has performed and showcased at over 800 different venues and over 150 festivals in Canada, the United States, Europe, Asia, Australia and New Zealand, including:
 - Francis J. Winspear Centre for Music, Edmonton, Alberta
 - Edmonton Folk Music Festival (Alberta) – '12, '18
 - Calgary Folk Music Festival (Alberta) – '18
 - Canmore Folk Music Festival (Alberta) – '18
 - Mariposa Folk Festival (Ontario) – '19
 - Blue Skies Music Festival (Ontario) – '16
 - Shelter Valley Music Festival (Ontario) – '16
 - Deep Roots Music Festival (Nova Scotia) – '16, booked for '21
 - North Country Fair (Alberta) – '04, '05, and every year since 2007
 - South Country Fair (Alberta) – '03, '08, '09, '12, '16
 - Juan de Fuca Festival of the Arts (Washington) – '12, '13, '16
 - ArtsWells Festival of All Things Art (BC) – '09, '10, '11, '12, '13, '14, '17
 - Blissfest (Michigan) – '14, '17, booked for '21
 - Earthwork Harvest Gathering (Michigan) – '08, '09, '10, '11, '13, '15, '16, '18
 - Woodford Folk Festival (Australia) – '15
 - Cobargo Folk Festival (Australia) – '14, '15, '17 & '19
 - Illawarra Folk Festival (Australia) – '15 & '18
 - Yackandandah Folk Festival (Australia) – '15, '16, '17, '18
 - Auckland Folk Festival (New Zealand) – '20
 - Gate to Southwell Folk Festival (England) – '15
 - Spring Scream (Taiwan) – '02, '03, '04, '05, '06, '07, '08, '10, '14
 - Folk Music Ontario conference – '09, '10, '11, '12, '14, '15 & '17
 - Folk Alliance International Conference – '11, '13 (official showcase), '17, '19
 - Folk Alliance Southeast Regional Conference – '17 (official showcase)
 - Folk Alliance Regional Midwest Conference – '11, '14 (official showcase)
 - Folk Alliance Regional Western Conference – '16 (official showcase)
 - Folk Alliance Regional Northeast Conference – '19 (official showcase)
- 2019 Falcon Ridge Folk Fest Most Wanted Emerging Artist
- 2018 Kerrville New Folk Competition finalist
- 2017 Canadian Folk Music Awards nominee for English Songwriter of the Year
- 2014 Canadian Folk Music Awards nominee for Best Emerging Artist
- 2020 and 2013 UK Songwriting Contest Folk/Acoustic winner
- Charted on Euro Americana, Earshot, Roots Music Report, and Folk-DJ charts
- Sold over 12,000 albums without a record label



Tangle of Souls (2020) – Eleven songs and an original fiddle tune, recorded in Australia. Available on CD, vinyl or digital, with a 240-page hardcover book.



Further Down the Line (2017) - Ten new songs enclosed in a 132-page book, offering a look back, in words and pictures, on ten years of full-time rambling.



Go Long (2015) - Ten originals and three of his friends' songs, with a seven-piece honky-tonk band, and a 48-page lyric book about a frisbee drinking game.



One More Time Around (2013) - Scott's fourth CD, released with a tour of Canada, the USA, the UK, Europe, Asia & Australia.



Moonlit Rambles (2011) - Scott's third album and first international release, received wide airplay and critical acclaim in US and European markets.



This One's on the House (2009) - Scott's sophomore effort, recorded with a huge cast of fellow Edmonton musicians.



Long Way to Wander (2007) - Scott's made-in-Taiwan solo debut. Spent nine weeks in the national folk/roots top ten on Canada's Earshot charts.