



# LOW RED LAND

## Dog's Hymns

### PRESS:

"There is something refreshingly real about this San Francisco band...Low Red Land...that borders on dangerous. With biting Southern tang mixed with some rural twang...one can almost imagine Steve Earle fronting for My Morning Jacket. In fact, this three man forest fire (Ben Thorne, Neil Thompson, Mark DeVito) oft-times drifts into deliciously strange jams only to bring it all together with well-written lyrics delivered in Low Red Land style. Check these lyrics! 'There are people who hit so hard you lose your sense of fear, but you won't be spitting blood all by yourself.' ('Dreams That Heroes Dream') That's a bad-ass line. And they seem to have many interesting ideas that fortunately will keep this band from becoming accursed as a one-note wonder. They offer mp3 samples [on their website]. Low Red Land is real, indeed. Good Stuff!" - The College Crowd Digs Me

"This week's featured band is Low Red Land, a San Francisco trio we've been impressed by since hearing their debut album, Weight of Nations, almost exactly a year ago. Recorded live in two days, the album crackles with a dynamic blend of rock and roll and traditional Country & Western sounds mixed with personal lyrics drawn from the lives of the band members, long-time friends who moved together to San Francisco when the band started." - The Bay Bridged

"There's an odd Southern sensibility to their music, and an unmistakable gospel influence that seeps through in the vocals. They've successfully blended both modern and roots leanings. I hate how all-inclusive the alt.country genre can sometimes be, but I think fans of Drive-By Truckers or Lucero would dig as much as followers of My Morning Jacket or The Red House Painters." - Tadd Trueb of Murrur Magazine

### UPCOMING PERFORMANCES:

- 09-18-08- San Francisco, CA at Slim's.
- 10-02-08- Fresno, CA at Tokyo Garden.
- 10-03-08- Solana Beach, CA at Surf And Saddle.
- 10-05-08- Albuquerque, NM at Atomic Cantina.
- 10-07-08- Colorado Springs, CO at Rocket Room.
- 10-08-08- Fort Collins, CO at KRFC 88.9FM.
- 10-08-08- Fort Collins, CO at Road 34.
- 10-09-08- Denver, CO at 3 King's Tavern.
- 10-10-08- Wichita, KS at TBD.
- 10-11-08- Tulsa, OK at Soundpony.
- 10-13-08- Chicago, IL at Ronny's.
- 10-15-08- Dayton, OH at Canal Street.
- 10-16-08- Pittsburgh, PA at Lava Lounge.
- 10-17-08- Asbury Park, NY at Asbury Lanes.
- 10-18-08- Somerville, MA at PA's Lounge.
- 10-19-08- Brooklyn, NY at Trash Bar.
- 10-20-08- New York, NY at The Delancey.
- 10-21-08- Danbury, CT at Cousin Larry's.
- 10-25-08- Washington, DC at The Red And The Black.
- 10-26-08- Boone, NC at Murphy's.
- 10-28-08- Chapel Hill, NC at The Cave.
- 10-29-08- Athens, GA at Caledonia Lounge.
- 11-01-08- Gainesville, FL at Gainesville Fest 7.
- 11-05-08- Austin, TX at Trophy's.
- 11-06-08- Ft. Worth, TX at The Chat Room Club.
- 11-07-08- Amarillo, TX at The 806.
- 11-08-08- Albuquerque, NM at Launchpad.
- 11-09-08- Flagstaff, AZ at Hotel Monte Vista.
- 11-11-08- Long Beach, CA at The Prospector.
- 12-11-08- San Francisco, CA at The Eagle Tavern.



**Low Red Land**  
**Neil Thompson:** Vocals, Guitar  
**Ben Thorne:** Bass, Vocals  
**Mark DeVito:** Drums

Low Red Land, made up of Neil Thompson on lead vocals and guitar, Ben Thorne on bass and vocals, and Mark DeVito on drums, are a group of former East-Coast-dwellers, having met at college in New York and lived in Boston for a time. The group relocated their distorted indie/alt-country twang to the West Coast city of San Francisco, CA in 2005 and have been touring hard ever since. A harder working band is hard to find, as they implement DIY to the fullest while they self-promote (one man a publicist, one a booking agent, one a designer) and self-release their albums.

The band's new album Dog's Hymns is truly a masterpiece that has been in the making for two years. The band originally recorded the album in 2007, only to choose to hold it and re-record it in 2008. Their hard work and dedication paid off with lush atmospheres coating their straight-forward, story-focused songwriting approach. One cannot speak highly enough of Robert Cheek's amazing engineering job with the band at The Hangar recording studio.

Singer Neil Thompson has a gift for filling lyrics with characters and settings. In the album opener "Dog's Hymn," Thompson spins a story of a group surrounded by wolves and looking back on their lives in their last waiting moments. He sings, "All eyes are fixed. The bravest singers, in that silence wait. Say your amens in Dog's Hymns." These wolf songs become a metaphor for the rest of the songs on the record, which sing of a range of human experiences including love, murder, friends, and social injustice. "Wovoka," for example, tells the tale of the slaughter of an American Indian village at Wounded Knee at the hands of U.S. Calvary. The song arose from Thompson after he rediscovered a gift that he had received from his uncle in his early teens. The gift was a pamphlet on the Ghost Dance, a dance intended to raise the spirits of American Indian ancestors to return the buffalo and send away the foreigners. It was this dance that drove the U.S. Calvary to killing in fear of an uprising.

Low Red Land have performed at over 300 shows since 2005 and sold over 1500 copies of their self-released first album Weight Of Nations.

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