

//JESSE MANLEY

Jesse Manley's music is rooted in a deep passion for story-telling. With an insatiable hunger for evolving his knowledge of musical history and acuity, Manley delves into styles which few remember to transport his listener back in time. His music can be described as a folk-inspired melding of new and old sounds, exploring genres as diverse as jazz and country.

His sound has been described by audiences as "beautiful, jauntily melancholic, and unique" and by the Huffington Post as "elegant and haunting, winding you into this sensual allegory of the season." OndaRock named Manley's music as one of the "Top 10 Albums of the Year" in 2015 and "Top Album of the Year" in 2014. Manley was nominated for Westword's Best Folk Music Award in 2014, and he was chosen as Best of 2014 by OpenAir.

Manley is most proud of his numerous collaborations with Wonderbound Artistic Director Garrett Ammon, with whom he has created five works, which have received critical acclaim.

//Quotes

"2015 Top 10 Albums of the Year"

OndaRock

"The original composition, written by Denver Singer/Songwriter Jesse Manley is elegant and haunting, winding you into this sensual allegory of the season."

HUFFINGTON POST

"The amazing band, led by Jesse Manley with original music for the show was the cherry on the top of the cake."

PRESENTING DENVER

"The new tunes for Winter - which Manley and his band will play live during the performance - are studied and lively in a way that convinces the listener that they must have come from the soul of someone who has devoted his entire life to music."

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"2014 Album of the Year"

OndaRock

"The album showcases his ability to incorporate a variety of instruments and arrangements to maintain a theme with an expansive creativity."

REVERB

"Distinguishing oneself from being just another guy with a guitar from all the other guys with guitars is difficult. Jesse Manley, however, seems more than up to the task, thanks to earnest lyrics, dreamy melodies and a truly unique voice."

WESTWORD

"Thoughtful and introspective -- but retains a gritty, thousand-yard stare."

EPITONIC

//NOTABLE PAST PERFORMANCES

Red Rocks Amphitheater

The Bluebird Theater

PACE Center

Newman Center for the Performing Arts

//AWARDS

2014 Westword Music Award Nominee (Best Folk)

2014 Album of the Year (OndaRock)

OpenAir Best of 2014 (Staff Picks)

2015 Top 10 Albums of the Year (OndaRock)

//Radio and TV

OpenAir CPR 102.3 (Denver)

Radio 1190 (Boulder)

KFRC 88.9 (Ft. Collins)

KUVO 89.3 (Denver)

Denver 8 TV (Film on the Rocks)

Rocky Mountain PBS (Arts District)

Colorado Public Television KBDI 12 (Sounds on
29th, OpenAir Live and Local, and In Focus with
Eden Lane)