

Jason Dunn: *Abandon Progress*



Track List:

<i>Chapter 2</i>	<i>Songs About You</i>
<i>Outta Control</i>	<i>Gonna Make It</i>
<i>Innocent</i>	<i>Forget About Me</i>
<i>Second Chances</i>	<i>Carry On</i>
<i>When I Saw You</i>	<i>Lies</i>
<i>Insecurity System</i>	<i>Over & Out (ft. Lenay Dunn)</i>
<i>Hope</i>	

After nearly a decade with Canadian pop punk band Hawk Nelson, frontman and founding member Jason Dunn shocked fans early in 2012 with the announcement that he would be departing the successful group in pursuit of a solo career.

Dunn spent 2012 writing his debut album, *Abandon Progress*. The forthcoming longplayer is a blend of pop and rock, reminiscent of old Hawk Nelson. "I left Hawk Nelson because I needed a fresh start," explains Dunn of his controversial departure. "My vision has returned to me, along with more passion and purpose than ever before!"

And in addition to his musical pursuits, Dunn has an unlikely passion that he hopes that fans will embrace. Says Dunn, "I want to find a cure for diabetes. I was diagnosed with type 1 diabetes when I was 12 years old. I am so honored to be able to be a positive role model for teenagers and young adults trying to cope with this disease."

A portion of proceeds from every concert will be donated to the Jason Dunn Diabetes Foundation (www.jasondunnfoundation.com), to help financially support young adults and families with children living with diabetes.

Dunn racked up an impressive list of accomplishments during his tenure with Hawk Nelson, including GRAMMY®, Dove and Juno Award nominations, international touring, a #1 video on VH1 and appearances in NBC's hit series *American Dreams* (as The Who) and the 2005 feature film *Yours, Mine and Ours* (starring Dennis Quaid and Rene Russo). With the launch of his solo career, Dunn is ready to add to the list.

"I make music because I love music," says Dunn. "Music is my passion. Music is my life. With my music comes the ability, and responsibility, to voice my feelings, my passions and my heart to every listener."

It's not easy to walk away from success. It's especially difficult to walk away from arena-sized success. But when former Hawk Nelson front man Jason Dunn had the chance to follow his heart, he had to take it no matter the cost.

Abandon Progress is the result of Dunn's venture away from Hawk Nelson. It brings fans back to Dunn's pop-punk roots.

"It's great. A true rock record".

-Andrew Hake, band mate.

Produced by Aaron Rice & Jason Dunn

Mixed by J.R. McNeely, Steve Lotz & Allen Salmon

"Abandon Progress has been my life for the last three or four years," says Dunn. "Hawk Nelson had a lot of success; we had a lot going for us. To just give it all up to go for something that had nothing was messed up from a realistic point of view, but I knew I had to do it for my own heart, my own sanity."



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