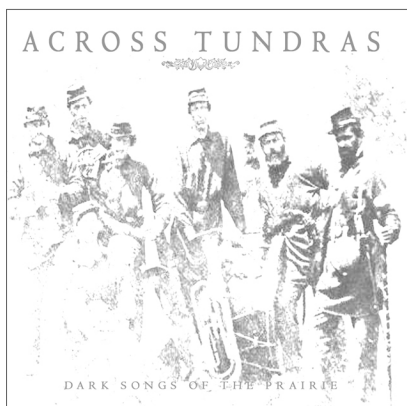


# ACROSS TUNDRAS

## DARK SONGS OF THE PRAIRIE

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**ARTIST:** ACROSS TUNDRAS

**TITLE:** Dark Songs Of The Prairie

**CAT / FORMAT:** CRU-54 CD

**FOR FANS OF:** NEUROSIS, ISIS,  
HUM, MY BLOODY VALENTINE,  
PELICAN, Neil Young, DINOSAUR JR.

**HOMETOWN:** Denver, CO



### RELEASE DESCRIPTION:

The first full length album from Denver's **ACROSS TUNDRAS** follows up their *Divides* EP with eight jams of majestic heaviness. Carved out of heavy syrup riffage and spacious melodies, *Dark Songs Of The Prairie* is like hearing a mysterious 70's country rock outfit thawed out and refitted with mighty amplification, sludgcore tempos, and shoegazey shimmer that effortlessly conjures images of the wide open prairies and looming mountains of the band's home territory. As weighty as the melodic heaviness coming from the from the whole "post-metal" camp, but coming from a different place altogether, **ACROSS TUNDRAS** draw a tangential line from Neil Young to HUM to NEUROSIS, and unleash a powerful new statement of rustic, crushing Americana. Features former members of Sioux Falls, SD post-hardcore outfits SPIRIT OF VERSAILLES and EXAMINATION OF THE...

### BIO:

Through scars, bars, the most broken of hearts, and souls drug down through depths ill-concieved, this vision is not of coincidence. **ACROSS TUNDRAS** was formed in the spring of 2004 and fully actualized in the fall. Born of dead, brown leaves and a ground that bleeds away the green only to be frozen to bone, this is true beauty and catharsis. Fragile hearted beware, you may be sucked down as well. From Denver, CO by way of Sioux Falls, SD... the music can be as sparse and desolate as that midwestern prairie and as imposing and majestic as mountains where the members now dwell. This is an epic tale that has only just begun. Although newcomers to the Denver music scene, **ACROSS TUNDRAS** are no strangers to the open road, bars, basements, bathrooms, legion halls, or anywhere else you can plug in an amplifier. Members have spent time playing in bands such as EXAMINATION OF THE..., SPIRIT OF VERSAILLES, and THE HANGMAN QUOTIENT. Touring the country multiple times, booking shows, releasing records, running a label, and putting every ounce of being into this, **ACROSS TUNDRAS** are no strangers to the hard work it takes make music for the masses. Don't let their old bands fool you though, this isn't some old screamo rehash. This is a new chapter, experimental and progressive, yet with a sound that's firmly rooted in the heavy with an overall classic and timeless feel. With a chip on their shoulders, and a very intimidating amount of amplification, **ACROSS TUNDRAS** is ready to make light of the other side of the frozen subsoil.

*"Denver's ACROSS TUNDRAS...pounds the senses with all the menace of ISIS or RED SPAROWES. But it isn't all post-metal drone; the trio also summons the leaden grandeur of early SWANS while shoveling BLOODROCK's Southern-fried sludge... as singer/guitarist Tanner Olson's wrecked vocals surface and then sink in tides of textured noise. As slow and inexorably brutal as a swarm of ants devouring the carcass of a mammal." - WESTWORD*

*"When Tanner Olson moved to Denver from Sioux Falls, South Dakota, he brought with him quite a pedigree. As guitarist for the progressive hardcore outfits the SPIRIT OF VERSAILLES and EXAMINATION OF THE..., he'd already had a taste of forging noises both experimental and bludgeoning. But with his new band, ACROSS TUNDRAS, he's finally locked onto the perfect formula of manicured chaos and elemental force. Aided by bassist Kyler Sturtz and drummer Heath Rave, Olson sculpts riffs and drones into pitch-black glaciers; it's all fed through a monolith of amps that sound like they're built from jet engines. And while drawing from such sludge merchants as NEUROSIS and OLD MAN GLOOM, ACROSS TUNDRAS...eschews self-indulgent electronics in favor of a more epic, organic atmosphere." - DENVER WEST*

### SALES POINTS:

- Features ex-members of Midwestern post-hardcore bands SPIRIT OF VERSAILLES and EXAMINATION OF THE...
- **ACROSS TUNDRAS** have toured throughout the Midwest with the likes of BREATHER RESIST, as well as supporting CULT OF LUNA, YOB, and JUCIFER.

### MARKETING PLAN:

- Retail marketing organized by Kelley's Market.
- Postcards/full color posters available.
- National advertising in Decibel, Punk Planet, Arthur, and more.
- Band will tour nationally in last half of 2006 in support of album.
- Radio mailout to over 150 college and specialty outlets.
- Press/Web media campaign by Earsplit PR.
- Topspine obi for increased rack visibility.

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