

# the DAM Combo

A three piece hard-folk band from the musically fertile ground of Upstate SC. DAM includes bassist **Don McGraw**, vocalist **Annabelle Ranck** and primary songwriter, guitarist, singer and producer (*Greg Trooper, David Childers*) **Matt Ranck**.

Despite being regularly featured on radio, TV and in historical tome this band somehow manages to maintain a cloistered and elusive existence that avoids all pandering to "music scene" popularity contests. When credited with song writing that has been compared to Neil Young and Warren Zevon, and brandishing musical influences ranging from Woody Guthrie to Wanda Jackson, the members of DAM will respond quickly that they have absolutely no idea what you're talking about.

"...honest vocals and fine musicianship..." **Greg Trooper**.

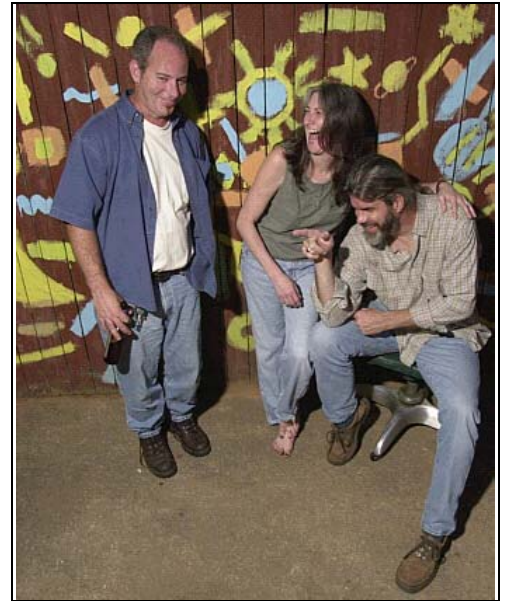
They have performed at:

Eddies Attic (Atlanta GA), Rogers Park (Tryon NC), the music camp (Spartanburg SC), Peace Center Amphitheater (Greenville SC), Legal Grounds (Rutherfordton NC), Puckett's (Charlotte NC), The Handlebar (Greenville SC), Converse College (Spartanburg SC), Blue Ridge BBQ Fest. (Tryon NC), Spring Fling (Spartanburg SC), Tryon Theater (Tryon NC), Music On The Point (Lake Lure NC) [tv WRET, WEBB radio WGWG, WNCW] – and here, there, and in between from Florida to North Carolina.

"If home is where the heart is, then the DAM Combo sounds just like down home to me, but maybe more fun than Mama would allow. This is the stuff...original and real." **Michael Reno Harrell**

They have shared shows with:

Greg Trooper, Toni Price, Chuck Brodsky, Michael Reno Harrell, David Childers, the Waybacks, Larry Hoskinson, Goose Creek Symphony, The Amazing Rhythm Aces.



The DAM Combo's latest CD, 2003's '**Another DAM CD**' - eleven tunes covering love, betrayal, friendship, aging, unemployment and large undomesticated pets - and then some.

One of the tunes, "**They Closed Down the Mill**" - about the sudden shuttering of the 100 year old Spartan Industries – had it's lyrics featured in '**Textile Town**' a 400-page illustrated history of cotton mill life in the western Carolinas. More than 40 distinguished historians and writers contributed to the book. Other songwriters closing out each of the chapters in the book include: Si Kahn, Dorsey Dixon, Dave McCarn, and Ella May Wiggins.

Their new CD '**Distractions**' is set for release in second quarter 2007 and features **Scotty Hawkins** (*Reba McEntire, Brooks & Dunn, Joe Nichols*) on drums and returning stunt guitarist **Larry Hoskinson**.

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