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Portland, OR's Mighty Ghosts (formerly Mighty Ghosts of Heaven) brim with adventurousness and maturity in their sixth full-length release, Aberdeen. With the addition of drums and a focus on original songs, the Ghosts release their most ambitious record to date.

The album, recorded by Jason Roark at Torchsinger (Pete Krebs, Sassparilla Jug Band) in Portland, OR, is a unique blend of folk rock and Americana with hints of jug band blues, classic country, bluegrass, and old-time. Inspired by the experimental, original, and inventive musicians of the early recording era, the Ghosts add their own unique sound to this tradition.

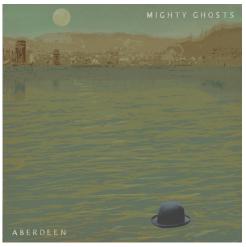
The album started as an attempt to link a bunch of traditional songs together to form a story. As the project progressed, some original songs were written to fill in the gaps. Before long the original songs outnumbered the traditional, and the band's sound expanded farther and farther from string band music. The songs on the record range from the somber and delicate "Aberdeen", to raucous bluesy stomps like "The Type Of Gals I Know". The result is a heady mix that blurs the lines between traditional and original, vintage and contemporary, personal and narrative. Sounds vary from classic country to jug band blues, jazz, hillbilly music and early rock n roll. Though the songs were born as part of a linear story, the resulting album leaves itself open to interpretation, allowing the lyrical imagery room to breathe.

Aberdeen features a stellar cast of guest musicians, including Jen Bernard (The Stolen Sweets), Cory Gray (Carcrashlander), Erik Clampitt (Clampitt, Gaddis & Buck), and Linnea Spitzer (Greasy Chain String Band). The album is release on CD and LP formats.

In 2008, the band reformed as the Mighty Ghosts (dropping the "of Heaven") with Gus Smith (vocals, guitar, harmonica), Aaron Shear (vocals, ukulele), Andy Sheie (vocals, guitar, banjo, fiddle), Lucas Jones (upright bass) and Marni Afryl (drums). Former members include Linnea Spitzer (Greasy Chain String-Band) and Kati Claborn (Blind Pilot).

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- 1. Intro
- 2. The Type Of Gals I Know
- 3. Mayfly
- 4. Pushboat
- 5. Hog Eye Man
- 6. Pick 'Em Up Pappy
- 7. Intermission
- 8. Long Nights In The Jailhouse
- 9. The Banks Below
- 10. The Land Of Milk & Honey
- 11. Aberdeen
- 12. Give The Fiddler A Dram
- 13. Outro

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