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THE JAYHAWKS RETURN WITH NEW ALBUM *MOCKINGBIRD TIME*
SEPTEMBER 20 ON ROUNDER RECORDS

FIRST STUDIO RECORDING SINCE 1995 FEATURING ALL ORIGINAL BAND MEMBERS
INCLUDING GARY LOURIS AND MARK OLSON

Burlington, MA – *Mockingbird Time*, the new album from acclaimed group **The Jayhawks**, will be released **September 20** on **Rounder Records**. The 12-track album is the first full-band studio release featuring both founding members Gary Louris and Mark Olson since 1995's *Tomorrow the Green Grass*. Of returning to the studio Louris tells *Rolling Stone* magazine, "Our goal is to make the best Jayhawks album that's ever been done. Mark and I both feel that there is some business left undone and we got together and wrote some great songs." Select summer tour dates are now confirmed with additional fall shows to be announced shortly. Please see reverse for complete details.

In addition to co-writing all the songs with Olson, Louris also produced the record. *Mockingbird Time* was recorded in Minneapolis at The Terrarium Recording Studios over a month's time during the winter of 2010. Other original band members featured on the record include Karen Grotberg (keyboards, vocals), Tim O'Reagan (drums, vocals) and Marc Perlman (bass). Of returning to the studio as The Jayhawks, Louris notes, "The difference from then and now is that Mark and I have both experienced different kinds of music and expanded our palates. So this record has moments of experimentation and a bit of worldliness. I like a well-crafted, in-and-out kind of song, but with Mark, the lyrics dictate the music, and he'll go off into interesting, asymmetrical compositions. So it's a nice balance. Certain things were meant to be—like peanut butter and jelly—and Mark and I just work well together. And having done a lot of co-writing during the last six or seven years, I'm more appreciative of the magic that we have together. That doesn't come along very often for anybody."

The new release comes on the heels of several pivotal and reinvigorating years for the band, whose first career-spanning anthology *Music From The North Country* was released in 2009 by American/Legacy. Additionally, in August 2010, for the first time on CD, the self-titled debut album from the band (often referred to by fans as The Bunkhouse album) was reissued by Lost Highway Records. Moreover, in January 2011 the band's first two albums for American Recordings—*Hollywood Town Hall* (1992) and *Tomorrow The Green Grass* (1995)—were re-released with a wealth of rare bonus tracks. In conjunction with these reissues the original Jayhawks line-up shared the stage for the first time in 15+ years in January 2011, performing special shows in Minneapolis, Chicago, New York, Philadelphia and Toronto. Of the band's performance as a reunited quintet, the *Chicago Tribune* heralded, "During a soaring two-hour set, the Jayhawks put on a clinic in the art of blended melodies and balanced songwriting. As always, Olson and fellow guitarist/singer Gary Louris' impeccable vocal harmonies held sway."

TRACK LISTING:

1. Hide Your Colors
2. Closer to Your Side
3. Tiny Arrows
4. She Walks in So Many Ways
5. High Water Blues
6. Mockingbird Time
7. Stand out in the Rain
8. Cinnamon Love
9. Guilder Annie
10. Black Eyed Susan
11. Pouring Rain at Dawn
12. Hey Mr. Man

CONFIRMED TOUR DATES

July 2	Chicago, IL	Taste of Chicago
July 3	Milwaukee, WI	Summerfest
July 6	Winnipeg, MB	Winnipeg Folk Festival
July 8	Minneapolis, MN	Basilica Block Party
July 10	Chicago, IL	DMB Caravan Chicago
July 16	Vancouver, BC	Vancouver Folk Festival
July 29	Sos del Rey Catolico, Spain	Luna Lunera Festival
July 30	Santander, Spain	Infest
July 31	Alicante, Spain	Auditorium
August 2	Birmingham, UK	HMV Institute
August 3	Glasgow, UK	ABC
August 4	Manchester, UK	Academy 2
August 5	London, UK	Forum
August 6	Heuveland, Belgium	Dranouter Festival
August 8	Amsterdam, Holland	Paradiso
August 9	Hengelo, Holland	Metropool
August 10	Copenhagen, Denmark	Amanger Bio
August 12	Oslo, Norway	Oya Festival
August 13	Gothenburg, Sweden	Way Out West
August 14 & 15	Helsinki, Finland	Tavastia
September 17	Mankato, MN	Riverfront Park

(additional dates to be announced)

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