

SHORT BIO:

Bridging the gap between '70s folk singers and country rebels, Nashville-based duo, Swearingen & Kelli croon about addiction, endurance, and getting things right the second time around on their third release, *Cold-Hearted Truth*. The new album has been featured on *Cowboys and Indians*, *NY Country Swag*, *Americana Highways* and *Red Line Roots* who said *"they've made something all their own with their own signature approach, and it's one that others would do well to emulate down the road."*

Recorded in a series of live takes with Grammy Award-winning producer Mitch Dane (Jars of Clay, JJ Heller, The Blind Boys of Alabama) *Cold-Hearted Truth* is a collaboratively-written album rooted in honesty. The songs draw inspiration from the bandmates' personal lives and family histories, spinning stories about coal mine towns, southern nights, humble beginnings, and romance. They also shine a light on Swearingen & Kelli's raw, onstage chemistry, sharpened over the years via a long string of shows in symphony halls, opera houses, living rooms, and clubs.

Swearingen & Kelli have shared the stage with artists from David Bromberg to Crystal Gayle. Swearingen's song "You're Not Here With Me" was recorded by folk icon Tom Rush featuring Nanci Griffith on his album, *What I Know*.