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**THE DEFIBULATORS,**  
**BROOKLYN'S ROOTS ROCKIN' PUNK ICONOCLASTS,**  
**CONFIRM MORE LIVE DATES**

*"No yee-haws or any other hoots or yawps were held back... Like a hoedown band from a Warner Brothers cartoon, they played raucous and slightly surreal 'whackabilly'" – **THE NEW YORK TIMES***

*"[Bug] and singer Erin Bru slip into harmonies that recall the storied Gram Parsons-Emmylou Harris duets...unvarnished beauty." – **NEW YORK MAGAZINE***

*"Corn Money" is a brash, bold, trend setting accomplishment...exciting and original material for challenging times." – **HONEST TUNE***

*"an intoxicating, good-time mélange that's guaranteed to slap a smile on your face... roots-heavy, post-punk music that reinvents the conventions of country music with a CBGB-meets-Grand Ole Opry feel." – **CRAWDADDY.COM***

*"Brooklyn's own Asylum Modal Beat Farmers, countryier than I See Hawks in L.A. and Spike Jones put together ("Get What's Coming to You," "Thin Air")." - **CONSUMER GUIDE / ROBERT CHRISTGAU***

**The Defibulators** continue to confirm more live dates in support of their debut album, ***Corn Money***, which is released through **City Salvage Records**. The band just returned from touring throughout the country, including SXSW. During this tour, The Defibulators developed a fanbase outside of New York City with strong turnouts in **Philadelphia, Chicago, Austin, Minneapolis, Nashville, Kansas City, Dallas/Fort Worth** and **Chapel Hill**, to name a few. New live dates are confirmed (see below).

Emerging from the thriving roots scene in New York City, this septet wields an arsenal of instruments (upright bass, banjo, fiddle, backhills harp, Telecaster, and junkyard percussion) with relentless energy and virtuosity. **AM NEW YORK** describes the band as "One of the most engaging live acts on the NYC roots scene."

"Ol' Winchester" is a featured song from *Corn Money* and the MP3 can be downloaded at <http://www.thedefibulators.com/olwinchester>

**NEW YORK MAGAZINE** feature (3/1/09) can be read here: <http://nymag.com/arts/popmusic/features/54943/>

While jumpstarting new life into vintage country and characterized by **THE NEW YORKER** as "Citi-billy," The Defibulators deliver a unique sound that is both timeless and timely, deep fried and downtown. **Bug Jennings** and **Erin Bru's** rich harmonies combined with dark, surreal lyrics illuminate songs that are gritty and witty; spinning big-rig tales of deception, debauchery, depleted bank accounts, fanaticism, vintage firearms, biological anomalies, airline intoxication and animal ennui. And **DIG PHILLY** confirms that, "when all the indie bands in Brooklyn decided to go roots, these guys actually got it right." **PHILADELPHIA CITY PAPER** adds, "While the barn burners, such as "Defibulator" and "Go-Go Truck," propel their live show and their new album, *Corn Money* (City Salvage), it's the quieter, contemplative songs, like the boozy "Wandering Eye," that really pack a wallop."

Produced by **John Hill (Santogold)** and **Terence Bernardo (Taxi Taxi)**, engineered and mixed by **D. James Goodwin (Murder by Death)** and mastered by Sterling Sound's **Greg Calbi**, this innovative sound team captures the ferocity of The Defibulators' live show while creating its own strange sonic world. The CD is being released through independent Brooklyn-based metro-roots label City Salvage

Records. The label was founded in 2001 by renaissance-man **Andy Friedman**, a musician, gag-cartoonist, and noted illustrator whose portraits of cultural icons have been published in **Rolling Stone**, **SPIN**, **The New Yorker**, **New York Times Magazine**, **Blender**, **Texas Monthly**, and hundreds of other publications around the world.

The Defibulators are the house-band and wrote the theme song for "**The Rejection Show**" - a live comedic event at the Upright Citizens Brigade Theater in NYC that embraces the rejected and 'turned down' material of well-known and up and coming writers, comedians, cartoonists, artists, filmmakers, TV personalities and other artistic types who display their creative 'failures' live on stage. For more information and to hear the theme song, please visit <http://www.rejectionshow.com>

Many of The Defibulators' songs are being licensed for feature films and shorts, television, and online productions. Most recently they composed and recorded the original score (alongside **The Avett Brothers** and **Langhorne Slim**) for the feature film, **Skiptracers**, an indie hillbilly epic set in rural Alabama. The band has also self-published their very own 24-page coloring book – available by request.

The Defibulators have played numerous festivals around NYC including Central Park Summerstage, River to River Festival, Gowanus Goes Green, Macy's Springtacular in Herald Square, The New Yorker Magazine Barbeque and The Big Apple BBQ Block Party. **MINNEAPOLIS CITY PAGES** said their live show "whipped the place into a plaid-and-denim frenzy." **CNN** adds, "This band plays its heart out."

Watch The Defibulators live: <http://www.thedefibulators.com/videos.php?page=videos>

Watch The Defibulators' bizarre album promo in the video section of <http://www.myspace.com/thedefibulators>

#### **TOUR DATES**

Wed Aug 5 New Haven, CT @ Cafe Nine (w. Rosie Flores)  
Thu Aug 6 Hudson, NY @ Jason's Upstairs (w. Blue Ribbon Boys)  
Fri Aug 7 Cambridge, MA @ Plough & Stars  
Sat Aug 8 Cambridge, MA @ WMBR / "Lost Highway"  
Sat Aug 8 Huntington, VT @ Valley Stage Music Festival (w. The Waybacks)  
Tue Aug 10 Worcester, MA @ Nick's  
Thu Aug 13 Pawtucket, RI @ The Blackstone (w. The Detroit Rebellion)  
Fri Aug 14 New York, NY @ Rodeo Bar  
Thu Sept 17 Brooklyn, NY @ Southpaw (Brooklyn Country Music Festival)  
Sun Oct 4 Warwick, NY @ Apple Fest

#### **The Defibulators are:**

Bug Jennings - vocals, banjo, and rhythm guitar  
Erin Bru - vocals  
Roadblock - electric guitar  
Justin Smitty - fiddle  
Freddy Epps - upright bass  
Metalbelly - washboard, percussion, harmonica  
Mike Riddleberger – drums

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