



Short bio:

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One paragraph bio:

Arkansas singer-songwriter Ryan Harmon became an instant internet hit, after appearing on season 3 of ABC's American Idol in March 2020. Over the course of his fifteen years in music, Harmon has received notable mentions in major outlets such as Billboard, USA Today and NPR Music, highlighting his musical style, humor and personality. With a unique sound and stage presence, influenced in equal parts by Travis Tritt and Van Halen, the 2022 ACMA Acoustic Act of the Year has performed for a wide range of audiences with acts ranging from Grand Ole Opry member Chris Janson to 90s metal icon SteelHeart. Harmon's latest release, "The High Road," features some of his most personal songs to date, and even includes a guest appearance by country star Jerrod Niemann.



Full length bio:

“Nashville needs good ol’ country guys like you.” - Luke Bryan, country music star

“You’ve got a great voice!” - Katy Perry, pop music star

“Trust yourself to go to Nashville and get in the business. You can circle the pond, but one day you’ve got to jump in the water.” - Lionel Richie, legendary singer, songwriter and producer

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When the COVID pandemic changed his plans, Harmon took the time to continue honing his craft as a songwriter and performer, as evident on his 2020 release “Country Fried.” The album features an acoustic version of “I Knew This Would Happen,” along with the band version of the song that was released as a single in February 2020. The song reached over one million streams in 2020 alone, while Harmon received coverage in major outlets such as Billboard and USA Today, highlighting his musical style, humor and personality.

Preceding "Country Fried" was Harmon's self-titled debut album. The 2017 release, which was recorded as a raw demo, includes the humorous song "You Left, My Dog Died, and My Heart Did Too," which was featured on an NPR Music playlist of dog-themed songs in January 2018.

Harmon was named Acoustic Act of the Year at the 2022 Arkansas Country Music Awards. Over the course of his fifteen years in music, Harmon has performed for a wide range of audiences with acts ranging from Grand Ole Opry member Chris Janson to 90s metal icon SteelHeart.

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"It doesn't matter if it's a love song, a sad song or a funny song. Life throws all of those different emotions at us. As long as people can relate to it and enjoy it, I feel like I've done my job," Harmon said.