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Exclusive Q&A with *Guille*

Andrew Guille has taken the world by storm with the release of his latest album; “Cowboy Blues”, which has reached top charts in both America and the United Kingdom. We at Classic Country sat down with him to discuss the future of his music and the inspiration behind some of his greatest songs.

WHAT GOT YOU INTO MUSIC IN THE FIRST PLACE?

Well, my dad started teaching me to play guitar when I was 9 and then I started writing my own little songs when I was 13 and eventually I released my first single “Summer Song” when I was 19. This went viral on Spotify and helped me sign a record deal for my first full album.

HOW LONG DOES IT TAKE YOU TO WRITE EACH OF YOUR SONGS?

I usually take a few hours to write the basic lyrics and tune and then in the studio with my guitar and my producer we work on the overall rhythm and flesh out the rest of the song. Overall the whole process from start to finish casually takes anywhere from a few days to two or three weeks depending on the complexity of the song.

WHO WOULD YOU SAY HAS INSPIRED YOU THE MOST?

I’ve always been inspired by some of the greatest country artists such as Johnny Cash and Willie Nelson. But as for who inspired me the most I would say Hank Williams as I really enjoy his music and the creativity behind it and I try to emulate that as much as I can within my own songs.

IF YOU DIDN’T START WRITING MUSIC WHAT WOULD YOU BE DOING NOW?

Well, originally I was planning on going to trade school to become a carpenter and work for my dad at his carpentry business but he always encouraged me to follow music and that’s exactly what I did.