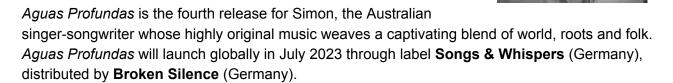
## **Press Release**

Album Aguas Profundas by Simon Hudson

"The bottom line is globetrotter Hudson's soul, folk, dance-pop, funk and latin standards as skilful and casual as ever"

- **Diabolo Mox** online magazine, Germany



Named *Aguas Profundas* which means "Deep Water" in Portuguese because Simon has arrived at a deep and fundamental place with this album. The songs were all written during profound reflection during the lockdowns of the coronavirus pandemic. He also experienced the deep joy of getting married and bringing his son into the world. Recorded mainly in one week with Simon's band in early 2023, *Aguas Profundas* feels fresh but deep, connected but with a profound undercurrent - a bit like plunging into deep water. It's a fascinating mix of roots, pop, soul and Latin that connects the dots of this intriguing songwriter's musical influences and passions.

The first single *One More Chance* (May 2023) says - when everything seems lost, why not ask the world for one more chance? The second single *Looking For A Map* (Jul 2023) with video clip deals with feeling lost during the coronavirus pandemic, and looking for a map to help navigate the way out.

Simon is a established songwriter, guitarist and percussionist, with influences including The Cat Empire, Jose Gonzalez, Neil Finn, Paul Simon, and Brazil's Carlinhos Brown. Based in Melbourne, Australia, Simon's five international tours to Germany, Belgium, Netherlands, Brazil, and Cuba have included European festivals, German national radio, Cuban national TV, and pan-American radio.

Simon plays solo, with a 4-piece, and at times with horns and thundering Brazilian percussion. His previous releases include EP Islands (2020), crowd-funded album *Earthman* (2016) and EP *Time and Space* (2012).

"Handclaps, hazel-eyed soul and acoustic honesty"
Mikey's Must-See Three, **Hit magazine**, Herald Sun, Australia

"Earthman is a wonderfully-made album, whose music is somewhere between relaxed soul, pop and world music. The quality of the music prevails."

**Polyprisma** online magazine, Germany

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