

Foreigner

The music of Foreigner knows no bounds. More than 30 years after forming, the band's music resonates across generations and the globe thanks to an impressive run of 14 Top 20 hits and album sales exceeding 70 million.

In 2008, Foreigner electrified audiences with an acclaimed world tour celebrating the multiplatinum success of the group's first 30 years. But while the band was honoring its past achievements onstage, it was plotting Foreigner's first album in more than 15 years, CAN'T SLOW DOWN.

Mick Jones, the band's founder and legendary songwriter/guitarist, produced the new album with Marti Frederiksen (Aerosmith and Buckcherry). Entering the Billboard Top 30 in October of 2009, it is the first full-length album to feature Foreigner's revamped lineup: Jones, singer Kelly Hansen, bassist Jeff Pilson, guitarist Tom Gimbel, keyboardist Michael Bluestein, and drummer Brian Tichy.

CAN'T SLOW DOWN is about fresh starts, Jones says. "For the band, it was a chance to step out from the shadow of the past and establish its own identity. Personally, the album helped me reclaim my confidence as an artist and rediscover the fun of making music again."

Singer Kelly Hansen says the new music was written and recorded on rare days off during a hectic concert schedule. "Being on the road kept us out of the studio longer than we'd planned, but that's a good problem to have. Eventually, we realized there never would be a perfect time to make the album, so we committed to making it happen. Nothing like a little deadline pressure to keep you focused."

A powerful mix of rock and impeccably crafted pop, CAN'T SLOW DOWN includes the first single "When It Comes To Love"; the emotionally charged ballad "I Can't Give Up" and the rocking title track, written by Jones, Hansen and Frederiksen as a tribute to NASCAR. Among the album's 13 songs is "Too Late," which was recorded by the band last year for the greatest hits anthology No End In Sight. Also featured is Grammy®-winning producer Mark Ronson's horn-driven remake of "Fool For You Anyway" from Foreigner's 1977 debut. The new music is part of a three-disc collection available September 29 from Rhino Entertainment exclusively through Wal-Mart. It includes a disc of the band's best-known songs remixed by Frederiksen and Anthony Focx, giving new energy to classic songs like "Urgent," "Cold As Ice," "Hot Blooded," "Juke Box Hero" and "Feels Like The First Time." The final disc is a DVD that captures the band performing many of its hits live and in 5.1 surround sound, plus a behind-the-scenes look at the creation of CAN'T SLOW DOWN.

The band is currently headlining a 30-date North American tour before departing for an April 2010 European Tour.

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