



FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

MARCH 2014

**ACCLAIMED SINGER-SONGWRITER MARY GAUTHIER TO
RELEASE TROUBLE & LOVE, HER FIRST ALBUM IN FOUR YEARS**

"With songwriting as powerful as hers, there's no need to go looking for qualifiers...She's a unique, intrinsically valuable musical voice. And there's never a surplus of those." - **Los Angeles Times**

Nashville, TN – Acclaimed singer-songwriter Mary Gauthier will release *Trouble & Love*, her first studio album in four years, on June 10th. Not for the faint of heart, Gauthier's songs paint a picture of gritty truth, demanding attention and compelling empathy from the listener. Gauthier's previous work has been praised by *The New York Times*, *Rolling Stone*, *LA Times*, *NPR*, and *Entertainment Weekly* who wrote "The beauty of Gauthier's country noir lies in the humanity of her characters, and the sweet yearning of her gruff Louisiana drawl". *Trouble and Love* is an intensely personal album about heartbreak, and the transformation we go through to survive and reclaim who we are.

Gauthier is a proven master of taking the deepest emotion and translating it into song. The eight songs on *Trouble & Love* were carefully selected from over 30 that she wrote. "When A Woman Grows Cold" expresses bitterness and anger ... "You're no longer her concern, scorched earth cannot burn, it's out of your control when a woman goes cold". The beautiful "Oh Soul" (featuring Darrell Scott on vocals) delves into giving yourself entirely to someone, then realizing you've lost who you are, while "Learn To Live Alone" moves into recovery, and putting the pieces back together. The last line of the last song, "Another Train" is the perfect ending to this collection of Gauthier's dangerous poetry. The lyric shows us a glimmer of hope closing in from the distance.

In the studio, Gauthier surrounded herself with a small group of musicians and singers including Viktor Krauss (bass), Guthrie Trapp (guitar), and Beth Nielsen Chapman (vocals) whom she felt were masters of interpreting the heart of a song.

The album was tracked live in one room, with very little prep work. Gauthier's vision was to create a feel that was as real and vulnerable as the emotion in the songs themselves.

As a writer, Gauthier's work has been recorded by Jimmy Buffet, Blake Shelton and Candi Staton to name a few and she has received film and tv placements in shows including HBO's *Injustice*, Showtime's *Banshee* & most recently *Nashville* on ABC. She has received countless accolades over the last decade for the 6 studio albums she's released. On *Trouble & Love*, Gauthier reflects on the wisdom of human experience, heartbreak, pain, survival and transformation. One of the most powerful songwriters of her generation, Gauthier is a unique and fearless artist and an important voice in American music.

Mary Gauthier 2014 Tour Dates

- April 19th **McCabe's Guitar Shop** Santa Monica, CA
- April 21st **Grammy Museum** Los Angeles, CA
- May 10th **Historic Ramsey House** Knoxville, TN
- May 15th **Cat's Cradle - Back Room** Carrboro, NC
- May 16th **Ashland Coffee & Tea** Ashland, VA
- May 17th **Jamming Java** Vienna, VA
- May 18th **Spring Gulch Folk Festival** New Holland, PA
- May 25-29th **Kerrville Folk Festival** Kerrville, TX
- June 8th **Roots On The River Festival** Bellows Falls, VT
- June 9th **Red & Shorty's** Dover, NH
- June 20th **The Franklin Theatre** Franklin TN
- June 27th **Kate Wolf Music Festival** Laytonville, CA

For more information about Mary Gauthier, please contact Donica Christensen donica@alleyesmedia.com or Jim Flammia Jim@alleyesmedia.com 615-227-2700.

