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SMOKY TIGER AND THE SEVEN DOORS | ALBUM RELEASE 09/30/09

Winnipeg folk hero and musical alchemist **Smoky Tiger** joins **Lit Fuse Records'** growing family of musical talent with his virtuoso debut album "**Smoky Tiger and the Seven Doors**". Lit Fuse Records was founded in 2007 by Vancouver hip-hop artist **Baba Brinkman** of "**Rap Canterbury Tales**" fame, and is also home to Latin Soul sensation **Aaron Nazrul**, whose music was featured in **90210** and enjoyed **Top Ten video rotation on Much Music** last year.

"**Seven Doors**" showcases Smoky Tiger's complex musical tastes and talents, with seven songs in seven different genres, each entering a different realm of consciousness, symbolism, and musical experimentation. The album was created in a single month by a demented man/beast locked in a dark room at Lit Fuse Records' studio in East Vancouver, layering instruments and vocals to channel the melodies emanating from his kaleidoscopic subconscious. The resulting melodic sculpture was then mixed and engineered into a thing of head-nodding beauty by Lin Gardiner of Super G Music, creating an album that reveals new depths and subtleties with each successive listen.

Lead single "**The Tree Planter's Waltz**" is a disco funk interpretation of the classic "**Log Driver's Waltz**" by Canadian folk legend **Wade Hensworth**. Unlike log driving, tree planting is an active element of Canadian wilderness culture, and both Smoky Tiger and Baba Brinkman have spent many years planting trees and roughing it in the bush. The music video for the Waltz was filmed during its debut live performance at the "Planter's Ball" in Merritt, BC in May, and the song has quickly become an anthem for this uniquely Canadian sub-culture. The video can be viewed online at: www.tinyurl.com/treeplanterswaltz

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