



## **Don Middlebrook - Trop Rock Music Association's "Songwriter of the Year"!**

*Nationally touring singer to share Caribbean soul at Captain Lou's in South Haven, MI!*

**ST. JOSEPH, Mich. - July 8, 2016 - [PRLog](#)** -- "Don Middlebrook, you're one of my favorite singer/songwriters!! I was listening to your CD on the way to work today. I have "Jimmy Buffett's TV Guide" looping in my head now!" - *Bobbi S., Greenfield, OH*

"Just got the new CD. Play it daily, it makes my bad day GOOD. Love the CD, Don. As usual, great music." - *Brenda H., Cullman, AL*

Michigan native, singer/songwriter Don Middlebrook, and his band the Pearl Divers, headlined the Street Festival at the 2016 national Trop Rock Music Association's annual convention in Key West, FL - "Meeting of the Minds."

Middlebrook was honored to receive three TRMA awards this year. The first being "Songwriter of the Year", voted by a panel of his peers. Second, The Trop Rock Music Association awarded his album, *Songs from Talespin Bay* -- "Album of the Year"!! And last, but definitely not the least, Don was awarded the "I Can" award for charitable work with Trop Rock music.

"I would like to take this opportunity to thank the Trop Rock Music Association for giving myself, and my band, the chance of a lifetime to play at the "Meeting of the Minds" Street Fest in Key West. It's a riveting experience to play a party for over 4000 of the best people on the planet, Parrotheads. Also, I'd like to thank the TRMA and everyone associated with the awards ceremony for putting on such a class act. I'm honored and humbled." ~~ *Don Middlebrook*

2015 Album of the Year - "Songs from Talespin Bay"

2015 Songwriter of the Year - Don Middlebrook

2015 "I Can" Award, for charitable work with Trop Rock music

***Don Middlebrook*** will be at CAPTAIN LOU'S, South Haven, MI on July 17, 1:00 - 5:00 pm

More info: [www.donmiddlebrook.net](http://www.donmiddlebrook.net)

Album cover photo by world-renown marine-life artist Wyland: [www.wyland.com](http://www.wyland.com)

You can hear Don's music at [www.donmiddlebrook.net](http://www.donmiddlebrook.net) His music is played on Margaritaville Radio, Sirius 24, Pandora, and iTunes - to name a few.

Middlebrook's latest album "Songs from Talespin Bay" was awarded the Trop Rock Music Association "**Album of the Year 2015**".

It features:

**21 songs, 25 contributing artists** - including *The Motor City Horns* (Bob Seger's horn section), The Verve Pipe's drummer, *Donny Brown* and Trop Rock steel drum artist "*Sunny Jim*" *White*.

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Don's album "**The Key West Connection**" was voted "**#2 Trop Rock Album of the Year**" in 2014 by the listeners of Beach Front Radio - the largest internet trop rock station in the country.

The album features the *Motor City Horns* (Bob Seger's horn section), *Donny Brown* (Verve Pipe drummer), harmonica licks by *Greg "Fingers" Taylor* (Jimmy Buffet's Harp player for 26 years, who also toured with Don for three years), and lyrics by *Lorrian Hemingway* (granddaughter of author Ernest Hemingway)

Here's a Great Article on Don's New Album:

<http://www.troprockin.com/trop-rock/don-middlebrook-songs-talespin-bay/>

Short Bio:

Don Middlebrook is considered by many to be one of the founding fathers of Trop Rock music. For more than twenty-five years, he has blazed a trail of over 175 tour dates per year all across the United States.

Middlebrook's musical journey has taken him from Michigan to Key West, and from Ocean City, MD to Seattle, WA.

With over 16 albums to his credit and a four-year extensive tour with Greg 'Fingers' Taylor, Jimmy Buffett's harmonica player of twenty-six years, Don Middlebrook is a name that is well recognized in the Trop Rock world.

Middlebrook's work has been featured in Showtime movies and on the Discover channel. He has warmed up the crowd before many nationally acclaimed acts such as: Reba McEntire, The Doobie Brothers, Hall and Oats, Jefferson Starship, Meatloaf, and Lynyrd Skynyrd.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=IkIEcgb1L5M>

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=oWgm1FIVVEQ>

"Songs from Talespin Bay" album cover art by world re-known marine-life artist Robert Wyland.

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