

MARKET CAFE

BRIAN FINCH - ASYLUM RECORDING ARTISTE  
NIGHTLY FROM TUESDAY 23rd NOVEMBER to SUNDAY 28th @ 9,00pm

Brian Finch has had the distinction of being the first South African Performer/Singer/Songwriter since the days of JEREMY TAYLOR to record an Album with NO recording company 'restrictions.' ie: he was not asked to 'sound' like anybody else; he went into the studio (after 7 months rehearsals and preparation in the 3rd Ear demo studio) <sup>without being told</sup> what to sing for this ~~or~~ that 'market' aimed for sales. Records are made to sell without selling out the performers by trying to water down, aim and please EVERYBODY but the performer, which is, if one listens enough to local radio, the case with more than half our local recorded 'product.'

Brian does not produce 'product' but his own special brand of home-grown and adapted music. Due to many factors, least of which was local record company apathy to delve into anything new, Brian's Album, BRINGING BACK THE GOOD TIMES never set the record buying public alight. It got a low-key release in Australia and New Zeland, and there has been tremendous interest in many of the songs.

Brian is surely Durban's most well known and popular solo artist. For more than 10 years he has sung to thousands of South Africans, and established ~~many~~ many hotel 'singing' rooms. (The Totum The Grog-Wagon, Wind and Sea, Wagon Wheels, Blue Waters, Astra Hotel Savoy Hotel, etc, etc,.....)

He has sung in Athens, London, Amsterdam and on board ships, and has on many occasions been approached to do various recordings. The BRINGING BACK THE GOOD TIMES LP came ~~xx~~ 6 years after the first offer, simply because prior to that BRIAN wasn't writing his own material, and ~~just~~ didn't want to be branded to sound like ANYBODY else but himself. ~~anybody else~~

His lyrics and tunes are simple, in a Country/Folk flavour, but it's his sincere delivery of ~~the~~ that makes BRIAN FINCH one of the most respected and followed 'acoustic' artists in the RSA.

After his week at the MARKET CAFE, Brian takes up a 2 month post down at JEFFRIES BAY singing to the surf-people, one of the main reasons for him never settling up here in TJ is his love for the surf. He is an exallant surfer and most popular amongst the surfing crowd.