



# The Distance Between Great Lakes

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## Track Listing

- 1 Free Scene
- 2 Sister City
- 3 Ever So Over
- 4 Now is When
- 5 Some of Shelley's Blues
- 6 Bead by Bead
- 7 This Will Be Our Year
- 8 Tugboat Sailor
- 9 the Sparkle
- 10 Morning of My Life
- 11 Conquistadors

Great Lakes is the songwriting and recording project of Dan Donahue, Ben Crum, and James Huggins. Dan and Ben met in high school and started writing songs together. Jamey joined in soon after. The current live line-up includes: ben-guitar, electric piano; jamey-drums, keyboards, guitar; dan-synth, organ; dottie alexander-organ, clarinet, flute; kevin barnes-guitar, bass, drums, keyboards; derek almstead-bass, drums; scott spillane-horns; and heather mcintosh-cello. They played their first live shows in 1996, and recorded their record between 1997 and 1999.

Dan and Ben write most of the songs together. Their process is similar to that of Van Dyke Parks and Brian Wilson, or Elton John and Bernie Taupin. Dan writes the lyrics, and Ben writes the melodies and music--but Jamey also contributes music and lyrics. The band's biggest musical influences are, admittedly, the classic piano and guitar based pop/rock of the sixties and seventies.

When they wanted to use an instrument in the studio that they didn't know how to play or when they just wanted outside input, they got their friends to come over and record. Here's a listing of who played what instruments. Ben played piano, electric piano, acoustic and electric guitars, bass, banjo, accordian, synthesizer, organ, percussion, melodica, and sang most of the songs. Jamey played drums, piano, synthesizer, accordion, percussion, harmonica, organ, and sang and played elec. guitar on "Virgl." Dan played synth, casio, and percussion. Heather played cello. Scott played horns. Dottie played clarinet and electronic horn. Joel Evans played bass. Derek played bass. Kevin played electric guitar, slide guitar, and electric piano. Andrew Rieger played electric guitar. Adrian Finch played violin.

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## DISCOGRAPHY

### ALBUMS

Great Lakes - Great Lakes  
CD/LP(kindercore records, 2000)tracks: storming, a little touched, an easy life, become the ship,world's fair pt. 1, come home and come true, a banana, parachutes,giants and tigers, world's fair pt. 2, posters for the theatre, virgl! Listen to "A little touched" in RealAudio! Download "Come Home and Come True" MP3 (4.71 Mb)



### SINGLES

happy happy birthday to me 7" singles club(happy happy birthday to me, 2000)tracks: tugboat sailor, sparkle, bead by bead,no more conquistadors



kindercore 7" singles club - may 2000(kindercore records, 2000)track: this will be our year (zombies cover)



come storming CD single(la suprette records, 2001)tracks: storming, no more conquistadors, bead by bead, tugboat sailor,the morning of my life, this will be our year



sister city 7" single(hype city records, 2001)tracks: sister city, now is when



a little touched 7" single(track & field organisation, 2001)tracks: a little touched, morning of my life (bee gees cover)

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