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"There was a time before hip-hop, before grunge and alternative, back not that long ago, when we had this thing called ROCK!

Duane Carleton hasn't forgotten that era, and he serves it up Americana-style on "Once Lost, Then Torn Down."

The album also has some moving ballads and some country influence to round things out. A guitar player of Duane's caliber could easily write songs that centered around his blazing solos, but on "Once Lost" he seems to put serious work into the songwriting.

Painting a picture of the struggle of rural America like only someone who has really lived here can, Duane clearly writes from the heart. I find that if you write about something that's true and means a lot to you, it often hits home for others.

The "characters" in Duane's songs might just be your neighbors. I could hear any number of these tunes on any number of different radio stations. Pick up a copy and support local musicians. Duane's website is www.duanecarleton.com, where you can find some cool footage too."

-George V. Nostrand-