



# MIDNIGHT SHINE

Adrian Sutherland – lead vocals/guitar – Attawapiskat ON  
Stan Louttit – bass/vocals – Moose Factory ON  
Zach Tomatuk – guitar/vocals – Moose Factory ON

They came together by chance. They stayed together for a shot. When singer/songwriter Adrian Sutherland from Attawapiskat was offered opening spot for Trooper in Timmins, he reeled in some other Northern Ontario musicians to form temporary band Midnight Shine. Their intention was to make the most of this one-off performance. Eight years, five radio singles, three albums, and 200+ media stories later... you could say they have been. Turning heads with a sound that seamlessly mixes roots, classic and modern rock, Midnight Shine's music is anchored by Sutherland's eloquent lyrics and heartfelt vocals. The songs are not only radio-friendly, but also explore Cree culture, tradition and life in the North with depth and meaning. They're a 'must-hear' band you'll take a real shine to...

## SELECT MEDIA COVERAGE:

- [CBC's The National with Wendy Mesley](#)
- [CTV's Canada AM](#)
- [CTV's Morning Live](#)
- [Toronto Star](#)
- [National Post](#)
- [The Canadian Press](#)
- [Ottawa Citizen](#)
- [SOCAN'S Words + Music](#)
- [VICE Canada](#)
- [CBC Radio's Unreserved](#)

*"There is heart and fire in this band, and terrific vocal performance which at times conjures Neil Young. All who've picked up a guitar have given a shot at a bit of Uncle Neil, but singer Adrian Sutherland comes organically closer to the heart of what makes early Young so haunting than anyone else we've seen in years... A band to watch..."*  
– Jacqueline Howell, DISARM Magazine

*"Sutherland's lyrics dance between truthfully portraying the hardship of northern life and celebrating that there's nowhere else he'd rather be... He doesn't diminish the ongoing crisis in Attawapiskat, but he wants to let some light into the picture."*  
– Nick Patch, Toronto Star

*"Their sound has an undeniable air of accessibility that, while reflecting its members' roots, fits comfortably between the hooks of Train and Matchbox Twenty."*  
– David Friend, The Canadian Press

## SELECT VIDEO LINKS:

- [Video for Sister Love](#)
- [Video for Northern Man](#)
- [CMW performance James Bay](#)
- [CMW performance Hopeless Romantic](#)
- [Adrian Sutherland Heart of Gold \(cover\)](#)

## SOME HIGHLIGHTS SO FAR:

Midnight Shine's third album will be released in February 2018, with two different producers: John-Angus MacDonald (The Trews) recorded seven tracks with the band at Jukasa Studios in Six Nations, and Tim Vesely (Rheostatics) recorded two songs at Blue Rodeo's The Woodshed Studio in Toronto.

They kicked off their first-ever tour at 2017 RBC Ottawa Bluesfest on the mainstage closing night, prior to Tom Petty & The Heartbreakers. They also played Toronto, Hamilton, Vancouver, Guelph, Timmins, and other locales.

Two tracks reached #1 on the Indigenous Music Countdown – *In The Midst* and *Northern Man*. Two other tracks reached Top 10 – *Over You* and *Since You Been Gone*. Latest single *Sister Love* is currently climbing the Top 10.

Adrian Sutherland – a self-taught hockey player – was offered a spot in the 2017 JUNO Cup in Ottawa, and performed at JUNO Cup Jam. His high-level hockey skills got him invited back for 2018 JUNO Cup, this time in Vancouver.

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