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*Red Onion Productions presents outstanding acoustic blues duo “Hills and Lemelin” throughout Alberta*

**(February 17, 2010. Calgary)** Red Onion Productions is pleased to present “**Hills and Lemelin**” in four shows throughout the province of Alberta. Formed in 2008 after plying their trades in the Calgary blues scene for the last three decades, Hills and Lemelin (Bill Hills, harmonica, and “Brother” Ray Lemelin, guitar) chose to move away from the Chicago style shuffle blues sound they were so accustomed to. Both were inspired to revisit the country blues that they had been influenced by years earlier. Working in smaller, more intimate settings, the acoustic duo strives to bring the “front porch” feel of their music to blues fans throughout the province.

The mini-tour begins in Calgary on February 23<sup>rd</sup> at Alliance Francaise of Calgary, an organization that promotes and teaches the French language, francophone cultures and intercultural exchanges. As Mr. Lemelin is fluently bi-lingual the duo will offer a master class workshop in both official languages, followed by a performance of material from their 2008 CD release entitled, “Neither Here Nor There”. The Slice in Lethbridge has the artists working that room on February 24<sup>th</sup>, before heading up to Edmonton to perform at the Blue Chair Café on February 25<sup>th</sup> as a prelude to their Mid Winter Blues Roots Roundup. The tour culminates on Saturday February 27<sup>th</sup> with an opening act performance for the very talented Sonny Landreth at the Calgary Mid-Winter Blues Festival.

#### **Ticket information for these shows can be found at the following:**

Alliance Francaise – 1221 2 <sup>nd</sup> St. SW – 2 <sup>nd</sup> Floor, Calgary	Phone: 403-245-5662	Web: <a href="http://www.afcalgary.com">www.afcalgary.com</a>
The Slice – 314 - 8 <sup>th</sup> St. South, Lethbridge.	Phone: 403-320-0117	Web: <a href="http://www.theslice.ca">www.theslice.ca</a>
The Blue Chair Café - 9624 - 76 Ave, Edmonton.	Phone: 780-989-2861	Web: <a href="http://www.bluechair.ca">www.bluechair.ca</a>
Calgary Midwinter Blues Fest – Ramada Hotel – 708, 8 <sup>th</sup> Ave SW. Calgary		Web: <a href="http://www.calgarybluesfest.com">www.calgarybluesfest.com</a>

Do yourself a favor and come listen to an act that has been described as “Brilliant and Soulful” (LA Beat, June 2009) and who’s debut CD was recently regarded as the best “Acoustic Blues Album” (Underground Blues Network’s 2009 CD review). You just might find that front porch feel that will make your winter blues disappear.

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