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MEMBERS OF THE DONNAS, THE RADISHES AND X JOIN TOGETHER TO FORM THE STRIPMINERS

SET TO PERFORM AT THIS YEAR'S SXSW MUSIC FESTIVAL

(Los Angeles - February 7, 2011) – It was in a moment of creative artistry just two years ago that a producer friend, Scrote, urged **Brett Anderson** (lead vocals) of **The Donnas** and **Paul Stinson** (lead vocals, guitar) of **The Radishes** to participate in a joint musical project. An instant connection formed between the two and they began writing and recording songs just for the pure enjoyment of it.

Like a moth to flame, a creative light in an otherwise dull music scene will draw artists to it. So it is with **The Stripminers** now that industry heavyweights have joined the band: **DJ Bonebrake** (X) on drums & vibes, **Scrote** (Daniel Johnston, Puscifer) electric/acoustic guitars, bass & keys, **Holland Greco** (Anais Mitchell, The Peak Show) on keys, banjo and electric guitar, **Brett Simons** (Brian Wilson, Fiona Apple) on bass. On her inspiration to write for this new group, **Brett Anderson** explains, "I've always had songs that I wrote just for the sake of writing, without any specific destination in mind. Ever since Paul and I started working together it's been great to find a place for those tunes, and write new ones together. Working with such versatile musicians has inspired us to take more risks, and develop a new sound together."

After a few 'unofficial' live shows the band is ready to unleash their soulful tunes to the eager masses. **Stripminers** will be performing at three different SXSW showcases this year in Austin, TX:

Wednesday - March 16th

Vans Off The Wall Showcase @ Emos

Thursday - March 17th

Brett Anderson speaks on SXSW panel "Steady Diet of Nothing: The Road to Health"

Friday - March 18th

Swing House Rehearsal and D'Addario Strings showcase @ Rusty Spur

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