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****FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**** Bay Area Recording Artist Che Prasad to Release Highly Anticipated Debut Album

SAN ANSELMO, CALIFORNIA (6/24/13) – Prasad Brothers Music announces the release of **"Shiva Me Timbers,"** the eclectic debut album by physician/musician Che Prasad. Recorded at Bellboy Recording Studio in the Bay Area and famed Piety Street Recording in New Orleans, "Shiva Me Timbers" will be released on September 22, 2013.

Blending rock and folk influences with North Indian classical music and flamenco, and drawing on sea shanty themes, "Shiva Me Timbers" refuses to fall into a single genre—but distinctly embraces universal sentiments with playful lyrics set against an upbeat yet haunting soundscape.

"I have taken the skeletons from my closet and put them to music," says Che, a singer/songwriter/multi--instrumentalist and pathologist who has spent years looking through the microscope studying human life and death. "For my debut album, I robbed the shallow graves of my memory and have given new life to ghosts from my past, present and maybe even future in the form of songs."

"Shadows From the East," a sitar--based song about Che's American mother and Indian father, is the album's centerpiece. "It focuses on their struggles with different cultures," he says. In "You Were There Too"—the closest thing to a love song on the CD—a "ne'er do well" longs for his woman to be with him on his misguided adventures. The amusing "Jeffrey Burglar" is an ode to someone who dared cross him. "Only Teasing" shines a light on a sometimes uncomfortable family tradition, and features performances from four generations of his family. All dissect real-life experiences and interesting characters, but with a brilliantly warped sensibility.

The album features all original songs written primarily by Che and his brother, Bay Area musician **Mikie Lee Prasad.** Mikie produced the album and plays guitar, mandolin and piano. The recording also features notable performances from Grammy nominated bass player, **Kaveh Rastegar**, as well as several well known New Orleans musicians, including Big Easy Music Award winners **Alex McMurray** (HBO Series, *Treme*), **Matt Perrine**, **Meschiya Lake**, and **Luke Allen** (Happy Talk Band).

ABOUT CHE PRASAD

Che Prasad is a multi--instrumentalist singer--songwriter. Inspired by Pink Floyd, Dire Straits, Richard Thompson, Tom Waits and The Kinks, Che has gone on to study guitar with Richard Thompson, sitar with Ali Akbar Khan and flamenco guitar with Rene Heredia. He is the banjo player known as One Eyed Jack in the Bay Area's premiere sea shanty band, The Shark Alley Hobos, and has performed in a series of tribute bands with his brother, Mikie Lee Prasad.

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