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Perth, Western Australia, December 13th, 2007. The Australian music label Hidden Shoal Recordings today announced the release of the brilliant new single 'tosleepingpeople' by the Craig Hallsworth-led Australian outfit Tangled Star.

'tosleepingpeople' is a lilting pop classic and sees Tangled Star at their inimitable best. The song layers gorgeously crafted, country tinged melancholic pop with Hallsworth's wonderfully wry lyrical playfulness.

In true Tangled Star style, 'tosleepingpeople' exudes a gentle warmth offset by subtle yet masterful melodic shifts. Each repeat listen frays another thread of its exquisite tapestry, revealing new charms and subtle complexities.

The single is taken from the brilliant forthcoming EP due out in the first quarter of 2008, following the band's wonderfully received first EP through Hidden Shoal Recordings, *It's Now or Later*.

Tangled Star: In the late '90s, Outstation (Craig Hallsworth, guitars and singing; Jim Butterworth, bass; Jamie Hamilton, drums), a sonic monstrosity, began playing a lot of quiet tunes, and eventually turned into Tangled Star. Lorne Clements (Hammond organ, piano) became involved, Jamie Hamilton left and was replaced by a drum machine, and Jim became its programmer. Tangled Star have recorded two wonderful releases with Alan Smith from Bergerk! Recordings – their self-titled debut and *It's Now Or Later*.

Craig Hallsworth: Born in Collie, south-west Western Australia – land that belongs to the Nyoongar people. Fatally infected with AM radio that plays constantly throughout childhood, in the house and in the car. Begins playing guitar and writing songs around 8 or 9 years of age. Magazines and records. Sitting alone in a room playing and singing into a cassette recorder. String of bands. Moves to Perth in the mid-'80s upon completion of welding apprenticeship in the coal mines. Over next 15 years or so plays in seminal Perth band The Bamboos, The Healers, Wild Palms, Zuvuya, Outstation and Tangled Star, as well as many solo performances and recordings. Currently writing an experimental book-length poem as well as playing with The Slow Beings.

'tosleepingpeople' is available now exclusively from the HSR Store.

Hidden Shoal Recordings is an Australian-based independent music label whose current catalogue includes releases that slip between the edges of experimental ambient work, shoegazing pop, post-rock and indie rock. The label has earned a reputation for releasing exciting and engaging new independent music that is not bound by genre or style. Hidden Shoal Recordings was recently chosen as one of the top ten favourite labels of 2007 by Textura magazine.

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