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Something is Missing

VOCALS: **MATT HENRY & DUNCAN JAMES**

We're getting everything ready
Today we're painting the walls
We bought some furniture
Picked out the cutest clothes
I think we bought out the store

Everything inside this room
Is almost complete
All that it's waiting for is
Two tiny feet

Something is missing
Something is missing
Something is missing
And baby, it's you

We're just a little excited
Can't wait for your big debut
We're counting down the days
Until you're here to stay
We'll be so honored to meet you

It is so crazy knowing
We've picked out a name
All that it's waiting for is
Just to be claimed

Something is missing
Something is missing
Something is missing
And baby, it's you
Everything here is

Almost ready
It's almost ready
Everyone here is
Almost ready
We're almost ready
Something is missing
Something is missing
Something is missing
And baby, it's you

Something is missing
Baby, it's you
Something is missing
Baby, it's you
Something is missing
Baby, it's you

We're Gonna Be Dads

VOCALS: **TAYLOR FREY & KYLE DEAN MASSEY**

You took your time to find us
Guess we all had roads to take
But knowing you were out there
Helped appreciate the wait

Every crazy turn
That we have taken up to now
Had lead us to this place we're meant to be

Look how much our lives have changed
Take a look around
At all the blessings that we've now received

Lullaby
And when we rise

We're gonna be dads
You and I
From this day on
Are gonna be dads
The two of us were chosen
To love you as our own
We promised her we'd care for you always
And share her story when your grown

Every crazy turn
That we have taken up to now
Has lead us to this place we're meant to be
Look how much our lives have changed
Take a look around
At all the blessings that we've now received

Lullaby
And when we rise
We're gonna be dads
You and I
From this day on
Are gonna be dads

You are everything we prayed for
You are all our dreams come true
Even through some darker moments
They've all lead us here to you

Lullaby
And when we rise
We're gonna be dads
From this day on
Darlin', you and I
Are gonna be dads

Oh, amazing grace

How sweet the sound
We're gonna be dads
Oh, I was lost
but now I'm found
We'e gonna be dads
Your dads

Alex Vivian

VOCALS: **RAYMOND J. LEE & CLAYBOURNE ELDER**

Hello
Good morning
I am your dad
Nice to meet you

Would you like to meet
Your other father
Yup, there's two
Lucky, lucky you

Here we are
Face to face
We have dreamt this very day
Look at you
You are absolutely beautiful
You are so very small
But you fit inside our arms
And you're absolutely beautiful

The nurses say
That you'll be here
A couple more days
Maybe a month
Until you are strong enough

And we will be
Right by your side
For the whole time
We're not going anywhere

Here we are
Face to face
We have dreamt this very day
Look at you
You are absolutely beautiful
You are so very small
But you fit inside our arms
And you're absolutely beautiful

There are a thousand people
Who can't wait to meet you
Did we tell you there are dogs?
Two cute but crazy dogs

And you, my love,
Are gonna get strong
Our superhero

And when you are ready
We're gonna go home
Just the three of us
Alex Vivian

Best For You, Kid

VOCALS: **BRODY RAY & MARY LAMBERT**

How do you thank someone
For everything they have done
You gave us a daughter
Made us both fathers

*"What more can we do
Before we take this child from you?"*

*"Can I please hold her?
Once more as her mother?"*

And as you took her in your arms
You looked and said:

*"She deserves so much better
She deserves what I couldn't give her
She deserves a stable home
She deserves someone to protect her
One day she'll understand
That both of you were part of the plan
Tell her that I only did
What I thought was best for you, kid."*

All the paperwork was signed
You could feel that it was time
We hugged and wished you well

"Please take care of yourself."

You looked at her real good
Studied her face as best as you could

*"I'll always remember
The 24th of September."*

And just before you left
You looked at her and said

*"Baby, you are so damn lucky
You deserve a life that is lovely
I know there's gonna be
So much love inside your family
Try and be good for your dads
All they want is for you to have*

*The life that I could never give
That is what is best for you, kid."*

"And I know one day
She'll ask you
About me."

*"And when she does
we'll tell her of that day
('tell her of this day')
And promise to ..."*

*Give her more love every day
Let her know that she is amazing
Hold her close and keep her safe
But let her fall, to help her be brave*

*One day she'll understand
You only did the best you can
("I only did the best I can")*

Let her know I only did
what I thought was best for you, kid

For our kid

Alex's Lullaby

VOCALS: **IAN H WATKINS**

Go to sleep
Sleepy head
Take a journey filled with characters
Like in the books we've read

Trace the hundred acre woods
Where Eeyore and Pooh live
Go to sleep
Sleepy Head

Go to sleep
Restless child
Let your heart and your imagination
Take off and run wild

Go visit Chesire Cat
And ask him why he always grins
Go to sleep
Restless Child

Close your eyes
And dream away
Take a flight to Neverland
Build a snowman in Arendall

Go to sleep
Little one
When you do you'll find that your adventures
Have only begun

Go find a maidens tower
Then climb up her golden hair
Go to sleep
Little one

Close your eyes
And dream away
Float up towards Paradise Falls
Ride a carpet through the Taj Mahal
So, go to sleep
Sleepy head
They'll be fantasies inside your dreams
Once you've sailed off to bed

But remember when you're ready
to fly home, here's where I'll be
But till then

Go to sleep
Yes, till then
Go to sleep

I'm In Love With You

VOCALS: **JOE AARON REID, DANIEL TORRES,
NOAH SKAALUM, BLAKE BOWDEN & LANCE BASS**

I could kiss your whole face
A thousand times a day
I could stare at your smile
For the rest of my life
This unconditional love
Is growing stronger each day

And baby, baby, baby
I'm in love with you

I love watching you sleep
More than watching tv
If your laugh was a song
I would play it all day
You're the very best thing
That's ever happened to me

Cause baby, baby, baby
I'm in love with you

Every day I look at you
And I cannot believe that your mine
I must have won the lottery
Cause I'm the luckiest dad alive

I love holding you close
Till you fall fast asleep
When I have a bad day

You help melt it away
Since the first day we met
You have stolen my heart

Cause baby, baby, baby
I'm in love with you

One day you will know this same love
When you are all grown
You'll look into your baby's eyes
And love them more than you've ever known

And I could kiss your whole face
A million times a day
Cause baby, baby, baby
I'm in love with you

*The day I met you
When I looked into your eyes
I knew that I found my way home
You are my life, my heart and my everything.*

*I will love you forever
And for ever after that
I am so in love with you*

You're the very best thing
That's ever happened to me
Cause baby, baby, baby

I'm in love with you
Baby, baby
I'm in love with you

Baby, baby
I'm in love
With you

I'm in love
Baby, baby
I am so in love with you

The Routine

VOCALS: **JARED GERTNER & RORY O'MALLEY**

Change her diaper
Get her fed
Do the laundry
Make the bed
Wash the crud under her chin
Change her diaper once again

Make the coffee
Get her clothed
Pick the dry snot from her nose
Oh my God, did she pass gas?
Nope, it's poop stuck to her ass.

Tell me why we wanted kids
Funny, you once wanted twins
All she's done is make me fat
You cannot blame her for that

Put her shoes on
Count to four
Watch her throw them on the floor
Get her in the car and then
She needs her diaper changed again

Finally we're on our way
Only 40 minutes late
Put some *CoComelon* on
Why are you singing along?

Now it's time for our routine
Get that little heinie clean
Wash and dry and brush her hair
I'll pour wine for our self care

Finally it's time for bed
After 30 books are read
Shut the lights
And pleasant dreams
Now it's time for you to sleep

Tell me why you're screaming now
As we finally sit down
We just need one minute break
Why are you still wide awake?

*"I really think she hates us."
"I hate us."*

Say Goodnight
And kiss her head
Tomorrow we'll do this again

*"Now I miss her."
"Should we wake her up?"*

It's All Up To You

VOCALS: **SAM HARRIS**

Lala la la
mmmm

Want a pair of wings?
You can make them
All you need is some imagination
Anything you dream
Like a pair of wings
Everything you wish for can come true
It's all up to you

Want to sail the world?
Grab your anchor

Now lets make a boat
Out of this paper
Anything you dream
Like sail the seven seas
Everything you wish for can come true
It's all up to you

My darling
Let your mind explore
Anything you wish for
Can be yours

Wish the moon above
Was closer?
Just come sit on top
Of my shoulders
Raise your hands real high
Until they reach the sky
Anything you wish for, like the moon
Can all belong to you
It's all up to you

Lala da da da da

For Always

VOCALS: **JOHANNES NYMARK**

You're the sweetest melody
An entire symphony
Your heart beats with my heart beat
For always

You're the perfect minor key
You're the most epic rhapsody
You're Daddy's masterpiece
For always

And you will always have me
No matter how far that I may be
And I will always be here
No matter the distance
I will be there

You're the song I've waited for
You're the lyrics and the chords
You're my most prolific score
For always

And you will always have me
No matter how far that I may be
And I will always be here
No matter the distance
I will be there

And you will always have me
No matter how far that I may be
And I will always be here
No matter the distance
I will be there

Your laugh is an overture
It's the best sound I've ever heard
And you're a perfect major third
For always

And you will always have me
No matter how far that I may be
And I will always be here
No matter the distance
I will be there

For always
Always
For always

Don't Grow

VOCALS: **MARK FEEHILY**

You are growing way too fast
Look how much you've changed
You fit into these palms of mine
Only yesterday

Can we somehow stop the time
Then we both can't grow old
And you won't get too big
For me to hold

Everything about you
Changed before my eyes
You have this personality
That's larger than your size

I have watched you
Everyday
As your imagination grows
Just don't get too big for me to hold

You can somehow see the worth
In things we throw away
You take a cardboard box
And suddenly it's an airplane

You are growing way too fast
And before you know
You will be too big for me to hold
No, you will never be too big to hold

Daddy's Little Girl

VOCALS: **SCOTT ALAN**

Before you came into this world
I was so afraid
That my crazy mind
Would somehow stand in my own way

I have lived so many years
Sleeping through the days
I wasn't sure I would be
A father who could raise

A child who deserved a dad who
Doesn't get depressed
Whose mind does not play games
When I am not feeling my best
But these past few years have shown me
There's nothing like love
And when I feel like giving up
You're there to give a hug
I hope I always make you proud
And even in my darkest days
I will never let you down

I wish that I could promise you won't see me at my lows
But if I am honest I know that's not how it goes
Just know that when daddy's sad
It's never 'bout you
Sometimes even daddy's wake up
Feeling kinda blue

And I know there will come a time
When the man that you love
Seems so hard to find
But here I am
And never once will I stop loving you

Ever since you arrived
My sadness drifts away
A smile or a laugh from you
And that is all it takes

And I will love you more and more
With every passing day
You are medicine for my soul
You're the highs through the lows
You're my life
You're my world

And you'll always be
Daddy's little girl



From Scott Alan:

I dreamt of making a record that celebrated the bond between a father and his child. Growing up, I didn't have any role models to look to as a gay man that showed me the family life that I so desperately craved. I hope this album is proof that nothing matters more than love and family.

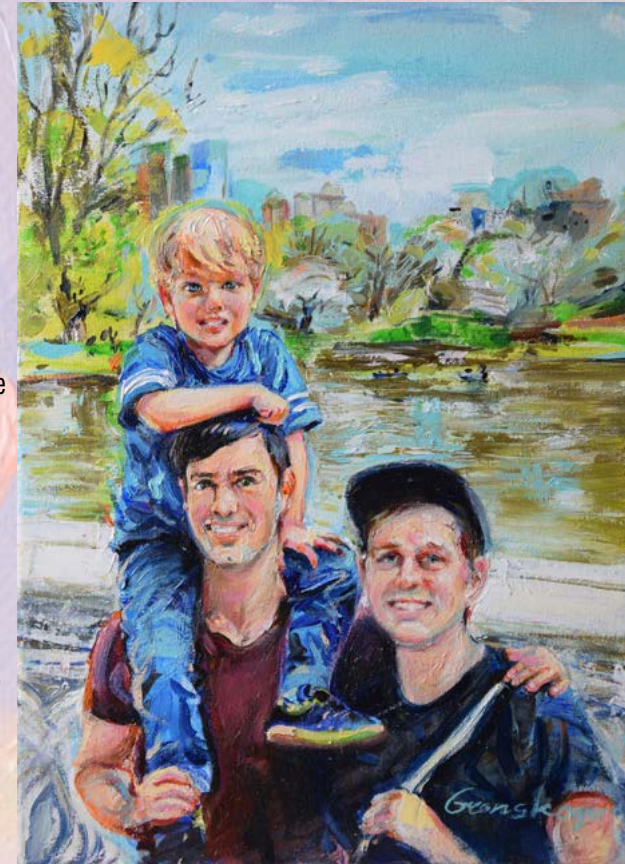
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*"I want a family. I want a husband and child."
From the song "Nothing More", written in 2008*



From Ben Cohn:

When **Scott Alan** asked me to join him in creating this album I couldn't say "yes" fast enough. Aside from being a personal and beautiful idea for a love letter to his daughter, Alex, and a celebration of his family, these songs celebrate the love of all different kinds of families. As one of two Dads of my own family, this spoke to me so personally and poignantly. Thank you, Scott, for trusting me with your glorious songs and for being such a giving and open collaborator. • Thank you to all of the incredible **musicians** who lent their talents to this album, all of who I consider friends and the very best this city has to offer. You brought these arrangements to life with your artistry and care and I can't thank you enough. • Thank you to all of the unbelievable **audio engineers** from around the world who recorded these amazing voices and instrumentalists! What a thrill it was to work with you and collaborate with you on this project. • Thank you to our mixing engineer **Paul Vazquez** for taking all of these voices, sounds and orchestrations and turning them into songs that sound better than we could have imagined. Your patience and care with this material has been inspiring. Thank you! • Most of all, thank you to my family, particularly my husband **Sean McDaniel** and our son **Allister Cohn-McDaniel** for inspiring me to tell my own story through Scott's songs. Thank you to Sean for your beautiful and perfect drum tracks that always elevate everything beyond what I could ever imagine.



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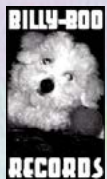
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