

# Smith writes of 'many Souths' Jack the Radio spans several genres

By Tariq Luthun  
Arts Editor

Lee Smith has always been a Southern girl.

The author of 12 novels, Smith grew up in Virginia and has lived in the Chapel Hill area for more than 30 years.

To promote "Mrs. Darcy and the Blue-Eyed Stranger," a compilation of stories that was released in paperback in May, Smith is currently on tour visiting local bookstores.

In a phone interview, Smith discussed her roots and progression as a writer.

**DTH:** At this point in your career, what does this particular novel mean to you as a writer?

**Lee Smith:** This book is really, really, really special for me. To look at this collection (of stories), it's as close as I'll ever get to a memoir. Each story is set in a time and a place that brings back that whole part of my life. Each one is very special to me.

I think that's one of the great things about writing, how each story is a capturing of you, whether you realize it or not. It's almost like a journal.

**DTH:** How important is it to you to be involved with the community, to interact with your audience?

**LS:** The thing about writing is that it's not only about expressing yourself. It's just like email or Twitter — it's a means of communication. But, oddly enough, you don't always get to complete the loop because you don't always get to meet your readers.

**DTH:** When did you begin to call yourself a writer?

**LS:** I don't know. I was always sort of scared to say it. I was afraid I would jinx it because I was very lucky, I felt, to be getting published.

I kept thinking, "This is all a mistake. This is a fluke. They're going to catch on to me." [Laughs]

I think I was publishing my fourth book before the time came. That was something I never used to do.

**DTH:** What is it about the region that provides you with your writing material?

**LS:** I think that it's always a surprise to northerners to find out, when they come down here, that there is not just one South, there are many Souths.

I grew up in the Appalachian South, which is very different than where we are right here, right now, in North Carolina — where I have lived for so long — the Piedmont South.

So, the stories are different in both places. But wherever you are in the South, people will just talk a lot — they are very forthcoming.

I think for that reason, I'm the kind of writer who has a lot of first-person narrators, a lot about people telling their own stories. This is a place that fosters that. These aren't cerebral stories, these are people you know.

**DTH:** You draw heavily from your own life experiences. Do you think your friends try to look for themselves in your stories?

**LS:** [Laughs] I'm sure they do, but they can't find themselves, because it is, of course, fiction. Though my ideas often come from what happens to me, or from people I run into, they would never recognize themselves because they will be so utterly changed.

Frankly, I love to make stuff up. I get easily bored fast with nonfiction. [Laughs]

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In a sea of musical acts, one local band is steadily making a name for itself.

Out of Raleigh, Jack the Radio released its first album, "Pretty Money," in April. Earning a roster spot in September's Hopscotch Music Festival, the band visits Local 506 tonight at 9 p.m.

Diversions sat down with band members George Hage and Danny Johnson to talk about their work as a local band.

**Diversions:** What's the story behind Jack the Radio?

**George Hage:** I'm really into comic books, but they don't really influence the music so much as they do the design behind it.

**Danny Johnson:** It's not a concept album, by any means. But we have had a few fans come up to us at shows asking us to start a comic. [Laughs]

**Dive:** I've met a lot of musicians whose livelihoods revolve around their ability to produce. How do you approach your own music?

**GH:** We're not really concerned with seeing if it goes somewhere,

it's just for fun. It's more like, "Can we write music that we love?"

Hopefully, other people like it so that we can keep doing it. I wouldn't call it our careers — it's more of a passion.

**Dive:** Given that you draw from so many different places to cultivate your sound, how do you categorize your music?

**GH:** It's kind of hard to pinpoint the sound. We call it Southern indie rock, but there's a little funk, a little country, a little blues, a little indie rock.

**Dive:** Most of you have been parts of different Triangle-area bands prior to Jack the Radio. What about this band do you find different?

**GH:** It's one of the smoothest writing processes in any band I've ever been in, especially now that we've been together for more than a year and a half.

**DJ:** I've been in bands for a year and a half where I was bored out of my mind by this mark. What we're seeing with the (band's) progress is something I normally wouldn't expect for another two to three years.

**Dive:** You are a band that, while very dedicated, still doesn't have the

## JACK THE RADIO

**Time:** Doors open at 8:30 p.m. and the show begins at 9 p.m.

**Location:** Local 506, 506 W. Franklin St.

**Info:** <http://local506.com/>

luxury to meet and practice as often as you'd like. How has the use of technology helped you progress?

**DJ:** The ease by which you can digitally bounce ideas back and forth has been pretty nice. It's not necessarily easy that you have the musical ideas there, but the process is definitely simpler.

**Dive:** You are a "local band" in how you haven't done much traveling beyond the Triangle area. Any plans to begin playing outside of North Carolina?

**DJ:** We've all played shows outside (of the state). But that's one of (Jack the Radio's) big goals this year, to make that jump and stretch a little bit farther as time goes on.

We've been lucky to have fans in a lot of different places around the country. Now it just comes down to the logistics of it.

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