



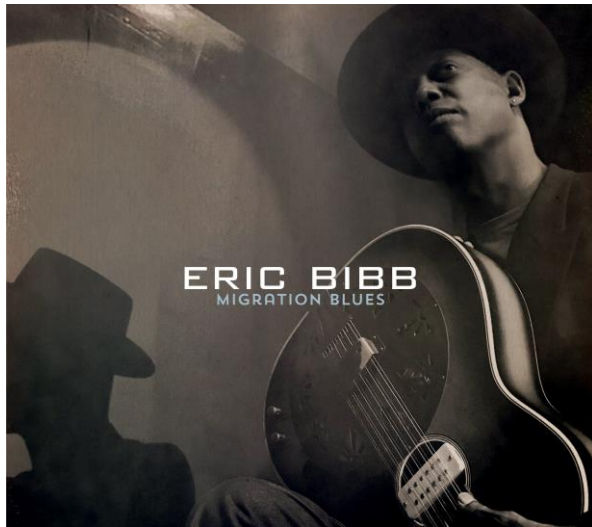
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Award-Winning Singer/Songwriter Eric Bibb Shines a Light on Migration Blues with New Release Coming March 31 from Stony Plain Records

EDMONTON, AB – Stony Plain Records announces a March 31 release date for *Migration Blues*, the new album from Blues Music Award-winning singer/songwriter Eric Bibb. The new album showcases Eric Bibb's talents on vocals, guitars, six-string banjo and contrabass guitar, backed by a group that features Michael Jerome Browne (guitars,

vocals, banjos, mandolin and triangle) and JJ Milteau (harmonica). *Migration Blues* was produced by Bibb, Browne and Milteau. Watch a video of the making of *Migration Blues*: <http://bit.ly/IntroducingMigrationBlues>

Mainly composed of new tunes, the 15 tracks on *Migration Blues* also include covers of Bob Dylan's "Masters of War" and Woody Guthrie's "This Land Is Your Land." An arrangement of the traditional "Mornin' Train," closes the opus.

"Whether you're looking at a former sharecropper, hitchhiking from Clarksdale to Chicago in 1923, or an orphan from Aleppo, in a boat full of refugees in 2016 – it's migration blues," Eric says about his timely and insightful new release. "With this album, I want to encourage us all to keep our minds and hearts wide open to the ongoing plight of refugees everywhere. As history shows, we all come from people who, at some time or another, had to move."

In a career spanning five decades, 37 albums, countless radio and TV shows and international touring, Eric Bibb has become one of the leading bluesmen of his generation. He's also one of the most respected blues singers and songwriters, whose music is always reverent, keeping one foot in the blues and folk storytelling traditions.

"The joy of making music and sharing it with you is a big part of my life," Bibb says in the album's liner notes. "Another big part is travelling and getting to know folks from many places. This exposure to different cultures has led me to think of myself as a citizen of the world,

blessed with countless opportunities to recognize my connectedness to people everywhere. Feeling this connection makes it easier to let go of my pre-conceived notions and prejudices toward people and cultures that are outside of my experience.

“The way I see it, prejudice towards our brothers and sisters who are currently called ‘refugees’ is the problem. Fear and ignorance are the problems. Refugees are not ‘problems’ – they are courageous fellow human beings escaping dire circumstances. Fleeing from war and unbearable hardship is something people have been doing all over the world for millennia. It’s nothing new. Every culture has its own migration stories and songs.

“While pondering the current refugee crisis I found myself thinking about the Great Migration, which saw millions of African Americans leaving the brutal segregation and economic misery of the rural South for the industrial cities of the North. Making this connection is what inspired the new songs included here. Peace and love, Eric.”

Migration Blues Track Listing

- 01 Refugee Moan 3:06
- 02 Delta Getaway 2:37
- 03 Diego’s Blues* 3:42
- 04 Prayin’ For Shore 4:03
- 05 Migration Blues 3:07
- 06 Four Years, No Rain# 2:36
- 07 We Had To Move 3:09
- 08 Masters Of War 3:19
- 09 Brotherly Love 4:11
- 10 La Vie C’est Comme Un Oignon* 2:38
- 11 With A Dolla’ In My Pocket 3:51
- 12 This Land Is Your Land 3:16
- 13 Postcard From Booker 0:51
- 14 Blacktop# 3:56
- 15 Mornin’ Train 3:36



* Tracks 3 and 10 Canadian Content with M(usic) and P(erformance).



Tracks 6 and 14 Canadian Content with M(usic), P(erformance) and L(yrics).

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