



ERIC BIBB

Live from the Archives
(Chiari, July 7, 2019)

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*"Eric Bibb is one of the most distinctive voices
in contemporary blues and roots music."*

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Route 61 Music proudly presents Vol.2 of the Live from the Archives Series, based on master recordings from the Legendary Chiari Rock & Blues Festival in Italy.

Eric Bibb grew up in the '60s, in New York, surrounded by amazing singer-songwriters whom he got to see and hear real up close, including Joni Mitchell, Jerry Jeff Walker, folk protest songwriters like Bob Dylan, Phil Ochs (although he never consider himself an artist in that vein), and later people like Guy Clark, whom he had a chance to hang out with in Nashville. His influences are James Taylor, The Beatles, Stax, Ray Charles, all of that is in the mix, as well as an exposure to classical and jazz.

*"I include myself in that acoustic blues tribe
that people like Taj Mahal pioneered. I didn't really
want to be stuck in blues prison, so as a songwriter
I started describing myself as a bluesy troubadour."*

- Eric Bibb

Bibb, a Sweden-resident blues troubadour, global griot, has been delighting audiences both sides of the Atlantic for more years than he cares to remember, with his finely honed guitar picking, his honeyed vocals, his good humour and all-round positive vibe. No matter what sort of day you've had, when you go to an Eric Bibb gig, the weight of the world disappears and you'll find yourself with a smile that will stay on your face for a week. A Grammy nominated, Blues Music Award winning songwriter and performing artist who is very much at the top of his game, this talented singer and guitar player addresses the troubled racial history of the United States and what is still, sadly, going on.

For that sum of reasons Downbeat wrote: *"Expressing truth and social justice comes naturally to Bibb; his genteel voice reveals a moral scrutiny that is instructive."*

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Goin' Down Slow (St. Louis Jimmy Oden) / Silver Spoon / Going Down the Road Feelin' Bad (Traditional/lyrics by Henry Whitter) / Turner Station (Eric Bibb) / On My Way to Bamako (Eric Bibb & Habib Koité) / With My Maker I Am One (Eric Bibb) / Refugee Moan (Eric Bibb) / Come Back Baby (Walter Davis) / Needed Time (Traditional/lyrics by Lightnin' Hopkins) / Don't Ever Let Nobody Drag Your Spirit Down (Eric Bibb & Charlotte Höglund) / In My Father's House (Eric Bibb)

