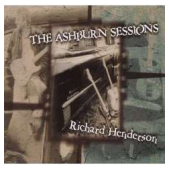
Richard Henderson - The Ashburn Sessions (2001)



1 Because of You 2 Ain't Nobody 3 Fire and Gasoline 4 Drinking 'Bout You 5 Seventh Day 6 Hot Women, Cold Beer 7 Janesville Prison 8 I Am The Gun 9 To Be In Love With You 10 Your Papa Don't Know 11 The Wind 12 Old Fool 13 You're The One

The Ashburn Sessions showcases the songwriting of Richard Henderson and Rob Easto. The songs, ranging from the mournful to full throttle rock ‘n’ roll, are rooted in the Americana tradition and grab you at once by the throat and by the heart. Richard has developed a characteristic edgy style based on the traditions of the blues, country and rock ‘n’ roll, and the result is compelling. Attesting to that, he was named Instrumentalist of the Year for 2010 at the Durham Region Music Awards and First Runner Up in The Toronto Blues Society's 2011 Talent Search. Richard was also invited to showcase at the 2011 International Blues Summit in Toronto and the 2011 Ontario Council of Folk Festivals in Niagara Falls, and showcased for Mariposa and Winterfolk Festivals. Also, Maverick, the UK’s leading independent roots music magazine, selected one of the Easto/Henderson songwriting team’s original songs for its covermount CD for its June, 2013 edition.

Recently, Richard has focused on the acoustic lap steel guitar and has teamed up with long-time friend and percussionist, Rico Stern, on the cajon. The lap steel and the cajon, both unusual instruments, complement each other perfectly, with the distinctive slide of the lap steel and the beat of the cajon weaving through an eclectic mix of gospel, country, blues and vintage rock ’n’ roll. The result, while evocative of roots and folk traditions, is transformational; leading to a vibrant reconstruction of roots music. ---cdbaby.com

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