

RICH EILBERT requested that his DIY recording project include the ubiquitous jewel case containing a 4-page booklet and traycard, and a simple photographic approach to the on-CD graphics, which were silk screened in 3 colors.

Back Cover

Front Cover

Tray Card and Spine

RICH EILBERT
Back From the War

This project was a long time in coming. Thanks must go to many people, far more than can be mentioned here. I especially thank my wife, Nancy, for her patience, help and understanding throughout the process. My daughter, Natasha, has been a great sounding board for choosing lyrics. The musicians, Seth, Matt, Rick, Stu, Sista G, Don, Patrick, Pip and Jackie, add so much and were so understanding in grasping my intentions. I appreciate the many friends who play music with me in various settings, especially the long-standing Thursday Night Group: Bob, Denis, Steve & Carol, Forrest, Martin, Alan and others.

Thanks go to the music engineers, Seth and Brad, and visual artists, Mel, Steve, Dan and Phil for all their efforts. Special appreciation goes to Ellen Schmidt for providing musical verses and warm encouragement, and Dick Pleasants for helping create a vibrant acoustic music community in Boston.

This album is dedicated in memory of my father and mother, Henry and Jeanette, happily married for 64 years.

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Songwriting for me is driven mainly by inspiration—dream imagery, daily events, sore points and feelings of joy. My vision for these songs has always been to play them with full accompaniment. Not being part of a band, I rarely get to hear them this way. At last, my vision has crystallized into this album of songs. Thanks go to all the very talented and tolerant musicians who helped and especially to Seth Connely who also recorded and mixed this project. Enjoy!

All songs:
Rich Eilbert—lead vocal and rhythm guitar
Seth Connely—electric bass

1. Come On In
I wrote this song in half an hour, just before one of our Sunday brunch and jam sessions. I love the sentiment.
Matt Lazenby—violin
Stu Olin—mandolin
Pip & Jackie Shewick—harmony vocals
Don Osoff—drums

2. River Wash Away
This song was inspired by the tragic river flood of October 2005, which devastated the town of Alstead, New Hampshire. Devastatingly, the destruction wrought by recent hurricanes got targeted into the imagery.
Rick Goode—lead guitar
Patrick Gallagher—harmonica
Pip & Jackie Shewick—harmony vocals

3. Back From the War
War takes a dreadful toll of those who suffer its indignities. I got the idea for this song by airscrewing a banjo/ritornel note Nancy had left on the couch. Straight from the unicorn toad.
Rich Eilbert—lead vocal, harmony vocal & rhythm guitar
Seth Connely—lead guitar, electric bass & keyboard
Don Osoff—drums

4. He's a Physicist
I wrote this song on my birthday to compensate for the stereotypical that our society places on scientists. The head and the heart ultimately must work together. Being a physicist, the allusions in this song come easily.
Rick Goode—lead guitar
Stu Olin—mandolin

5. Down on Your Luck
All about that stuck-up brat in high school that we love to hate—with a Stagnant twist.
Matt Lazenby—violin
Rick Goode—lead guitar
Stu Olin—banjo
Pip & Jackie Shewick—harmony vocals

6. Going Back to LA
I never lived in LA, but my relatives settled there after I'd left home. In a sense, it's as if I was away from home.
Rick Goode—lead guitar
Stu Olin—keyboard
Don Osoff—drums

7. Now and Forever
An apocryphal tale dedicated to Nancy as a wake-up for the many love-gone-wrong songs I've written. Special thanks to Sista G. For the sista! drive and harmony tracks that make the calypso best case alliter.

Sista G—steel drums & harmony vocal
Rick Goode—lead guitar
Don Osoff—drums

8. Ocean of Sand
A dream provided the initial impetus for this song. Then it took an abrupt turn into a tribute about the dangers from leaders who suffer from the Bambi delusion.
Rick Goode—lead guitar
Pip & Jackie Shewick—harmony vocals

9. Whydah
A true story about a real pirate ship, the only verified pirate shipwreck recognized in U.S. waters. Barry Clifford led the expedition in 1784, applying the Dutch log and succeeding where many others had failed. 2 later learned that John F. Kennedy, Jr. took part in the early search phase.
Matt Lazenby—violin
Rick Goode—lead guitar
Pip & Jackie Shewick—harmony vocals

10. Roadblock
No fun being stuck in a traffic jam. It was therapeutic to work out my frustration in this rock and roll tale.
Rick Goode—lead guitar
Stu Olin—keyboard
Don Osoff—drums

11. Hauling Ice
A true story describing FEMA's \$200,000,000 bonafide of inefficiency that occurred in the aftermath of Katrina. We can do better.
Seth Connely—drums & electric bass

12. Small Crime
I think we all have gotten away with some petty crime this early, or worse. If we are judged in the hereafter, let's hope the bar is not set too high.
Matt Lazenby—violin
Rick Goode—lead guitar
Seth Connely—banjo & electric bass
Don Osoff—drums

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