

Like a wheat farmer in the fall, Calgary, Alberta based Scott MacLeod has harvested his best crop of songs yet for his latest album, 'Right As Rain.'

Producer Jon Wood (Flophouse Jr.) looked after all of the fine details like a finishing carpenter, filing down all the rough edges and sometimes accentuating the edges on this album. 'Right As Rain' is in the same field as MacLeod's past Canadian / Alt-Country / Roots Rock tinted tunes, but this crop seems to have been battered with a few more storms.

At first the content seems dark and heavy on this collection, but with repeated listens it becomes undeniably easy to relate. We hear the singer trying to wrap his head around being a better version of himself (Best I Can, Forever Searching, Straight On Till Morning, and Devil's Doorstep), all the while aching to see the sun and weary from all of the storms that have passed through (Grey Skies, Kick Me When I'm Down and Lonesome Heart). It does seem he has a clear understanding that the sun will indeed shine again, as we learn by eavesdropping on some raucous nights at the tavern (Out of Line, Dead A Long Time, and I Can't Deal).

All of that wrapped in a package of rich, driving and supportive instrumentation from the selected cast of studio musicians. Jon Wood stands out on this album with his often beautiful and always appropriate lead guitar work. His versatility to move from rising and falling acoustic chords and scales (Best I Can) to high and lonesome steel (Straight On Till Morning) and then fill in like a Nashville gun slinger (I Can't Deal) proves he's worth his weight in salt. Brooke Wylie steps in on background vocals, never disappointing in her golden vocal register (100 Years).

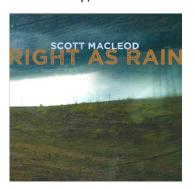
The arrangements are all rounded out with a mix of galloping and at times "skiffle-style" drums, floating organ, and Scott's acoustic guitar acting like a steering wheel on a pick-up truck.

It feels like Scott has let us in on something on this album. He's angry but he's not, he's in despair but he's got a clear handle on what makes life great, and best of all, he's happy to have us along as company. After-all, we all have more questions than answers, and it's much more enjoyable to share a drink and chat than sit alone. So crack a beer, turn the volume up and enjoy - because everything's going to be Right As Rain.

Scott MacLeod is a Blue Pie Records artist and is out now on Blue Pie for the world. For more information go to *www.scottmacleod.ca* or search 'Scott MacLeod' on Google.

SCOTT MACLEOD

GENRE: 2-Step/Roots Music



RELEASE:

TITLE: Right As Rain (album)

TRACKLIST:

- **1.** Grey Skies
- 2. Out of Line
- 3. Best I Can
- 4. Kick Me When I'm Down
- **5.** 100 Years
- 6. Dead a Long Time
- 7. Forever Searchin'
- 8. I Can't Deal
- 9. Right As Rain
- 10. Straight On 'Till Morning
- 11. Devils Doorstep
- 12. Lonesome Heart

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"The ability to negotiate complex emotions in a tightly woven collection of songs is evidence of MacLeod's maturity as a songwriter. A great listen from start to finish."

Gillian Turnbull - No Depression

"Over the course of the album, MacLeod reveals an impressive range as a songwriter without ever compromising the unity of the sound."

Kai Roberts - Americana UK

"Old Soul - one of the top albums of 2009."

Twisted Roots Radio Show, WCNI, Connecticut

"It's that respect for the little things that makes MacLeod's narrative, rootsy tunes so enjoyable. MacLeod likes a well-told story that offers a credo about the basic goodness of people."

Fawnda Mithrush - Vue Weekly

"With soulful, rootsy ruminations on everything from floods in the 40's and solitary grain elevators to conjugal visits and legendary benders, Scott MacLeod satisfies on his second disc."

Heath McCoy - Calgary Herald

"Influences such as Bob Seger and John Fogerty, but whose sound and style is something warmer, homier, and more personal."

Mike Bell - Calgary Sun



RELEASE: TITLE: Old Soul



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