IFO RONDRAU

RIGHT ON TIME - (Self-Released)

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"Leo Rondeau is a songwriting lifer who you sense takes a wide, patient perspective, and has a belief in the power of song to outlast trends, obscurity, or even a song's original creator when it is approached with heart."

- SAVING COUNTRY MUSIC

As a child of the rural American West and owning lineage within the Chippewa Indian tribe, **Leo Rondeau's** narrative finds roots in the Turtle Mountains of North Dakota and draws inspiration from myriad musical influences including Hank Williams, The Flying Burrito Brothers and Townes Van Zandt. For this project, the Nashville-based Rondeau delivers a stalwart, timeless tribute to devotion, loss and atonement, all through the distinct voice of a modern country troubadour unafraid to explore life's somber realities while illuminating subtle hope within.

Recorded in Nashville, TN at Bomb Shelter Studios, *Right On Time* was produced by Andrija Tokic (Alabama Shakes, Hurray For The Riff Raff, Phosphorescent) and features nine original tracks and one Blaze Foley cover tune. Rondeau enlisted help from a handful of notable Nashville and Austin players including Pete Weiss (keys/accordion); Gary Newcomb (guitars/pedal steel); Jeff Ratner (bass) and Aaron Shafer-Haiss (drums/mandolin). Margo Price, Alexis Saski and Vaughn Walters lend a hand on vocals.

"Andrija's approach and attitude in the studio was very inspiring and encouraging," says Rondeau. "He was always upbeat and positive from the time we walked in the door to the time we walked out, no matter how many hours we put in.

"There were no computers involved in the recording process. Andrija's approach is to track to tape, which I've always done, but he also mixes to tape which I hadn't done in the past."

The album opener and title track kicks things off with a matter-of-factly written, honky tonk-fused ditty about the demise of a relationship followed by the sparsely beautiful **"Get On With It."**

Other highlights on the album include "On And Off Again," a piano laden track with gospel overtones and Price's stirring vocals. Inspired by Rondeau's father, "Man Torn Up" is a swaggering country rocker bookended by rollicking piano solos and searing guitar riffs.

"Washed Up Troubadour" encapsulates Rondeau's folk sensibilities with its plainspoken lyrics and soaring, atmospheric arrangements followed by album closer **"Loving You"** – a sublime and thoughtful take on a Blaze Foley classic.

"I tend to follow Harlan Howards advice and write about love," says Rondeau. "It's not all I write about but I start there. Right on Time keeps in line with that sentiment"

Fans will get a chance to see Rondeau perform songs from *Right On Time* this Spring and Summer. He'll tour extensively throughout the Southeast, Texas (including **South By Southwest**), and the Western United States along with select dates in the UK and Australia. Stay tuned for tour announcements and updates.



RECOMMENDED TRACKS: 1,3,5,8,9,10 **RIYL**: Margo Price, Mike and The Moonpies, The Deslondes

FCC: None TRACK LIST:

- 1. Right On Time 2:40
- 2. Keep Her On The Farm 3:16
- 3. Get On With It 3:18
- 4. If You Don't Love Me 2:54
- 5. On And Off Again 3:23
- 6. Win Her Back 2:52
- 7. Don't Quote Me On That 2:48
- 8. Man Torn Up 2:43
- 9. Washed Up Troubadour 4:03
- 10. Loving You 2:46

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