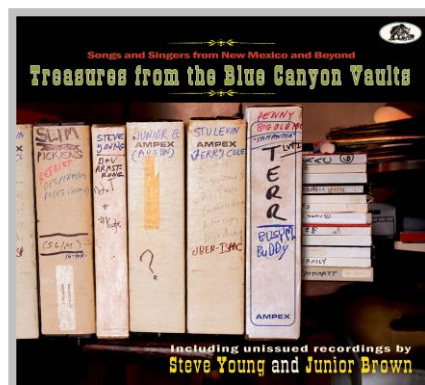


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Artist **Various Artists**
Title **Treasures from the Blue Canyon Vaults**
Songs and Singers from New Mexico and Beyond
Label Bear Family Records
Catalog no. BCD17675 Price code: AR
EAN-Code 4000127176752
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No. of tracks 21 approx. 73:00 min.
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INFO:

Unreleased recordings by Steve Young and Junior Brown are among the highlights of this album!

- **Singer, songwriter, producer and label owner Jim Terr has gone into the tape archive for Bear Family Records® and compiled 21 wonderful songs for this CD album.**
- **Recordings from 1970 to 2022, singer/songwriter, folk and country music - some released here for the first time, including tunes by the great Steve Young and alternative country superstar Junior Brown!**
- **The album presents a selection of New Mexico's rich music scene, mostly songs written by the artists themselves.**
- **Producer Jim Terr has written the liner notes with information and pictures on all the artists.**
- **The recordings, spanning five decades, have been carefully remastered.**
- **With 'Treasures from the Blue Canyon Vaults' we want to highlight handmade music from New Mexico on the colorful musical map of the USA.**

Before leaving office in 1881, New Mexico Governor Lew Wallace summed up his view of the territory in a line often quoted today: "Every calculation based on experience elsewhere fails in New Mexico." The author of 'Ben Hur' could not have predicted that the outlaw-infested territory would later contain more physicists per capita than any other state! This wild, untamed land remains eccentric, the perfect breeding ground for artistic expression of every sort, including music.

This album called 'Treasures from the Blue Canyon Vaults' is a brilliant demonstration of New Mexico's varied musical talent. While not pretending to be a true survey of the spectrum of New Mexico music (which would contain more Hispanic and Native American music), it nonetheless represents a startlingly original mix.

With the exception of Tom T. Hall's *She Gave Her Heart to Jethro* and the trucker classic, *Phantom 309*, all the songs are originals by artists and producers who live in New Mexico, or spent a lot of time there.

Alt-country superstar and 'guit-steel' inventor Junior Brown graced a New Mexico country-bluegrass band called The Last Mile Ramblers in the 1970s, and three songs featuring his blazing guitar and/or earthy baritone voice from that period are featured on the album, one of them never heard until now.

The late Steve Young, writer of hit songs by The Eagles, Waylon Jennings and others, and a touring favorite in Europe, sings an unreleased original called *Always Loving You*, demo'd in New Mexico and later recorded by Hank Williams, Jr. Victoria Garvey Armstrong, co-writer of Judy Collins' *The Lovin' of the Game*, sings an original composed by long-time producer Jim Terr, a native New Mexican who wrote and produced several of the songs in New Mexico, as well as with top studio musicians in Los Angeles.

The state's unofficial anthem, *New Mexico Rain*, is performed by its writer, Michael Hearne, and popular musician and comedian Carlos Medina performs *Mi Amigo Soldado* with a crack mariachi ensemble.

Many of the songs and musicians included are winners of the very competitive New Mexico Music Awards, such as Hearne and Medina, and Lara Manzanares with her *Census Song*, Jimmy Stadler with *It's Past My Beer Time*, and New Mexico star Busy McCarroll singing a never-heard tune, *Nothin's Any Better for Me*.

The Supernatural Family Band, which formed in New Mexico in the early 1970s, sing a beautiful original ballad, *Rockin'*

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Music, and the late Kate Bennett sings a rousing tune from the Woodstock parody album 'Chickenstock' called *The Son of a Rabbi Man*.

Chantel Mullin, Francine Fitzgerald, and The Yara Sisters also sing originals by Jim Terr, who produced the collection for his record label, Blue Canyon Records, and performs several, and who cites songs by Elliott Rogers and Joey Wilson as two of his personal favorites on the album. 21 songs are included in the 73-minute collection, along with a 24-page booklet of biographical and recording notes and photos.

Terr climbed into the tape archive in the basement of his home in Las Vegas, New Mexico, for this documentary. He explains that the collection is to a large extent a companion to his book, 'The 24-Track Chronicles' (www.24trackchronicles.com), in which many of the performers are mentioned, and says "I really think this music is world class, and I hope it spreads awareness of the quality, variety, and originality of New Mexico-produced music."

TRACKLISTING:

CD:

Jim Terr feat. Junior Brown: She Gave Her Heart To Jethro Song
Junior Brown, with The Last Mile Ramblers: Phantom 309
Elliott's Ramblers: Plains Of San Augustine
Michael Hearne, with South by Southwest: New Mexico Rain
Chantel Mullen: Another Sweetie Has My Heart
Steve Young: Always Loving You
Jim Terr feat. Junior Brown: Dig That Crazy Music
Don and Victoria Armstrong: Big Brown Pony
Carlos Medina: Mi Amigo Soldado
The Supernatural Family Band: Rockin' Music
Jim Terr: She Taught Me How To Sing These Songs
The Yara Sisters: Every Time I See Your Face
BuDDy: Chile And Beans
Francine Fitzgerald: You're Not The Only Love
Jim Terr: Talkin' To My Wine
Kate Bennett: Son Of A Rabbi Man
Joey Wilson: The Old House
Jim Terr: Objects In Mirror
Busy McCarroll: Nothin's Any Better For Me
Jimmy Stadler and Band: It's Past My Beer Time

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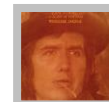
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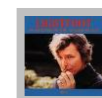
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