



Who is Bart Ryan? Bart is a Nashville-based award-winning producer, performer, songwriter and musician. While his skills on guitar and lap steel have made him an in-demand session and tour Player, as an original artist he is emerging as a unique voice on the American Blues, Roots and Soul scene.

Bart was born and raised in Los Angeles, in the shadow of the Hollywood Hills. As a boy, he was mesmerized by the guitar sounds of powerhouse bluesmen like Albert Collins and Stevie Ray Vaughan, and before he was old enough to buy a drink he was up all night playing in nightclubs trading riffs with blues legends like Coco Montoya.

In his early twenties Bart hit the road, and landed in Atlanta where he cut his first solo records and toured extensively through the Southeast. After six years in Georgia, opportunities in L.A. brought him home. Soon he was showcasing at Hollywood landmarks like the Roxy, The Viper Room, The El Rey Theatre and House of Blues. He had residencies at the Mint and the Kat Klub, played gigs in Europe and toured Japan. While in L.A., he wrote and recorded three full albums – *Ryan5*, *World in a Bottle* and *Temptation*, and two EP's – *Bart Ryan Band* and *Glory Bound* Where he mixed his blues roots with striking production and more intimate songwriting. He also recorded and produced music for film and TV, including the Academy Award-winning George Clooney movie, *The Descendants*, and Adam Sandler's *Little Nicky*. Records he produced and co-wrote won a Los Angeles Music Award, an Indie Music Award and a South Bay Music Award.

Now Bart lives in Nashville and he is blending all those experiences into his most ambitious project to date - *Starlight and Tall Tales*. With influences from Muddy Waters to Radiohead, *Starlight & Tall Tales* wanders from soul-infused power to stark intimacy while Bart's gritty vocals and soaring guitar and lap steel shine through it all like a musical North Star. The album features a roster of heavy hitters from L.A. and Nashville including Jim Evans on Drums (Clay McClinton, Shaun Murphy of Little Feat, Alex Harvey), Ted Kamp on Bass (Shooter Jennings, Duff McKagen), Steve Smartt & Jeff Byrd on Horns (Delbert McClinton, Vince Gill, Reese Wynans) and guest appearances by a host of other Veterans.

Album release - April 2020
European tour - Spring 2020



"Bart Ryan is a voracious singer-songwriter trapped in the body of a guitar master"
John Hopkins, Zac Brown Band.

"Bart is a True artist! From his guitar playing to his soulful singing to his inspired lyrical content"

Angela Easley, Host of Rock and Blues roots review Radio Free Nashville 103.7 FM

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