

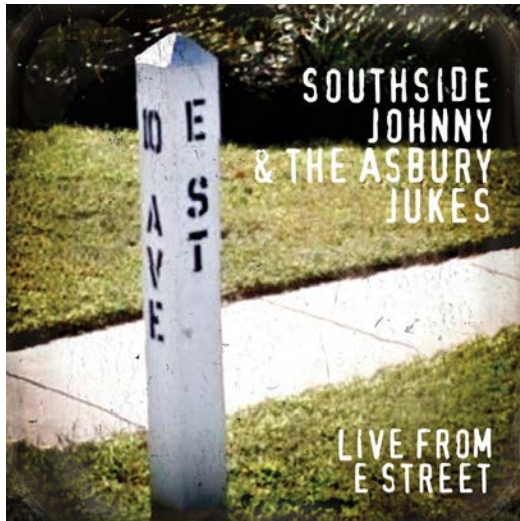
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## Southside Johnny's Springsteen covers album hits Billboard chart

Live From E Street from Leroy Records. (Photo: Leroy Records)



Southside Johnny and the songs of Bruce Springsteen are perfect together. Southside Johnny and the Asbury Jukes' latest album, "Live From E Street," a special 12-inch vinyl pressing, is No. 10 on the Billboard Blues Album Chart of May 13. The album was recorded over several shows in the winters of 2015 and 2016 when Southside and the Jukes covered songs written by the Boss at the Stone Pony in Asbury Park. The tracks are "Jack of All Trades," "Cover Me," "Murder Inc.," and "Tenth Avenue Freeze-Out."

"He always had that honest way of saying what people were going through, even in the first couple of albums when he was spitting a lot of words and a lot of images, and surreal images and things like that, there still was that person inside and you could always relate to that person," said Southside Johnny of the Springsteen songs to the Asbury Park Press in 2015.

Southside Johnny and the Asbury Jukes dedicated an entire night to the Springsteen covers in a February of 2015 Stone Pony show, and they included several Boss tunes in two February of 2016 Pony shows.

Only 3,000 copies of "Live From E Street" were pressed by Leroy Records and it was part of a Record Store Day promotion. A release on other formats is being considered, said a spokesman for Southside Johnny. Curtis Knight's "Live At George's Club 20 1965 & 1966," featuring Jimi Hendrix, is the top album on the Billboard Blues Album chart.

Upcoming for the Jukes is a show Friday, May 5 at B.B. King Blues Club and Gill in New York City, and the band's annual Fourth of July weekend show at the Stone Pony Summer Stage on Saturday, July 1.

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