

The soundtrack to the new Ethan Hawke film The Hottest State is headed to stores. The soundtrack features 16 songs, plus two score passages, all recorded exclusively for the film.

Grammy-winning singer/songwriter Jesse Harris composed the score and wrote all the music for the soundtrack and serves as the album's co-executive producer along with Hawke. Together they assembled a group of artists to record Harris' songs including Willie Nelson, Emmylou Harris, and Norah Jones.

Also aboard is Argentinean newcomer, Rocha, whose song "Never See You" is performed in the film and soundtrack three times in both English and Spanish. Harris also appears in the film. The soundtrack will be released through Hickory Records Aug. 7 with the film following on the 24th. Contact Costa Communications, 323-650-3588.

All My Loving, acclaimed British director Tony Palmer's early masterpiece documenting music and its effect on pop culture in the late 60's, will screen Aug. 1 as part of the closing night at the Mods & Rockers Film Festival in Hollywood.

As legend has it, Palmer, a filmmaker for the BBC and a close acquaintance of the Beatles, was challenged by John Lennon to make a film about the rise of new musicians. They convinced him that he had a unique opportunity to document and broadcast a burgeoning music scene to the general public.

The film has never before screened in the U.S. The event at the **Egyptian Theatre** in Hollywood will be followed by a Q&A with the director. Visit the website for tickets, www.modsandrockers.com. For further festival information, contact Martin Lewis, 323-654-7755.

The new music documentary Towncraft is currently screening in conjunction with its own concert series. It has been released simultaneously in theaters, via DVD, and online. The movie highlights the impact small local music scenes can have on the music industry as a whole, by documenting the evolution of Little Rock's music scene from the early 80's until today.

The documentary stresses the growing significance of small music scenes by spotlighting not only home grown acts such as Ho-Hum, but acts that have made the move to Little Rock looking for a better environment in which to create music, such as American Princes.

To find out where the movie screens next, visit www.towncraft movie.com. For more information, contact Magghane Lubin at General Strategic Marketing, 646-638-2479.

George with special guest performances by Mike Andrews and several other Los Angeles-based singer/songwriters, The Will Geer Theatricum Botanicum is presenting a Tribute to Bessie Smith on Aug. 26, an all-acoustic tribute to the legendary blues singer of the 20's and 30's. For tickets, call 310-455-3723 or visit www.the atricum.com.

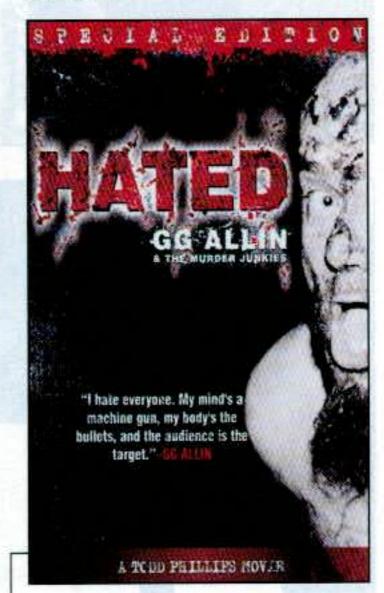
Keep on Moving: The UB40 Story, a one-hour film produced on-location in Britain by TV journalist Tom Jordan, reviews the pop-reggae group's 28-year history. Jordan shot the documentary over the last two years on-location in Birmingham, England, UB40's home turf, as they were finishing up production on their current album, Who You Fighting For? and as they were preparing for a concert at London's prestigious Royal Albert Hall.

The film just premiered in Palm Springs and is currently being shopped for broadcast distribution. Check it out for yourself at www.UB40keeponmoving.com. For additional information, contact Shellie Karabell, 760-880-5059.

Produced and discovered by Brian Garcia (Avril Lavigne, Kelly Clarkson, Michelle Branch), Until June, a new pop/rock band on Flicker/Sony-BMG, will be featured on the upcoming third season edition of the Grey's Anatomy box set collection. Their song, "What I've Done," will be used on the promo spot of the TV series' new spin-off, Private Practice. The DVD collection will be released on Sept. 11th. For more information, contact Lori Lousararian or Karen Sundell at Rogers and Cowan, 310-854-8104.

Fans lucky enough to score tickets to Heaven And Hell's Radio City Music Hall performance on Mar. 30 — the concert sold out in a matter of minutes — were fortunate witnesses to the return of Ronnie James Dio,

Tony Iommi, Geezer Butler and Vinny Appice. Onstage in the U.S. for the first time in 15 years, the group let loose an onslaught of iconic metal spotlighting Dio's memorable tenure with Black Sabbath. Rhino relives every bone-crushing riff and thunderous howl from the evening with a trio of releases available Aug. 28th. Heaven and Hell-Live from Radio City Music Hall will be available at regular retail outlets both as a two-disc CD set and as a DVD. Available exclusively from www.rhino.com, the concert will also be released as a deluxe three-disc set (two-CD/DVD). For additional information, contact Jason Elzy in Rhino Records' Media Relations Department, 818-238-6220.



→ On the morning of June 28, 1993, 14 years after recording his first album, punk rocker GG Allin was found in a Lower East Side, New York apartment, dead from a drug overdose following a final riot-inducing show. The documentary Hated, finished just before Allin's demise, chronicles his life in unflinching fashion, never turning from the on or offstage havoc he created "to challenge a nation of non-believers." Allin, who had been arrested over 50 times (on charges ranging from disorderly conduct, to exposing himself to minors, to public defection) broke parole to appear in this film.

Featured here is not only his live act that drew the curious and scared, but the injuries, police activity and rock & roll savagery that will be his legacy. For more information, contact Clint Weiler at MVD Entertainment, 800-888-0486 ext. 115.

Veteran rapper/actor Ice-T is shooting the pilot for a new reality show with his wife and model Coco. They say the show will focus on the couple's relationship, while offering a unique take on what it takes to maintain it. More information to come.

