

WILLIAM LEE ELLIS

THE FULL CATASTROPHE

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“Declaration of Independents is humbled when confronted with a record like *The Full Catastrophe*... A splendid and soulful record that’s worthy of your attention.” —*Billboard*

With *The Full Catastrophe* — a record declared one of the year’s best in The Village Voice Pazz & Jop poll — William Lee Ellis works the roots of American music and twists them to his own designs. In 16 original songs that range from gospel-blues to rockabilly, from Delta swing to haunting guitar instrumentals, his second solo recording brings together the pieces of the American music puzzle that has been his life.

Self-released in 2000 to accolades in the international press from *Billboard* to The London Times, *The Full Catastrophe* is now being released nationally with all-new bonus tracks, including the novelty ragtime number “Sushi Lady Blues”, a popular live staple.

Guest appearances by Memphis music legends Paul Burlison and Jim Dickinson, as well as by Tony Ellis — Bill’s father and a former member of Bill Monroe’s Blue Grass Boys — highlight this exploration of the heart of American music traditions, produced by Ellis’s musical partner and multi-instrumentalist Larry Nager.

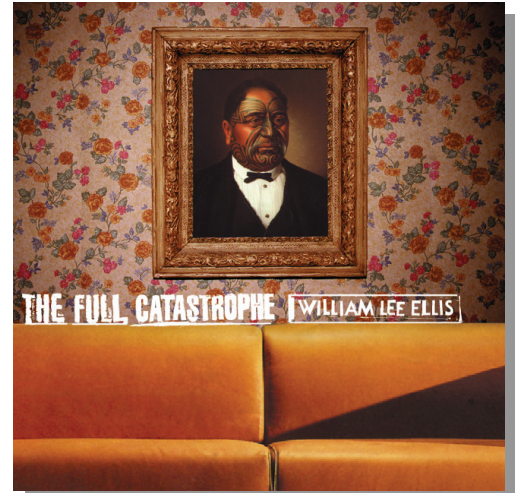
Key Selling Points:

- National media campaign by Connal Publicity (Jorma Kaukonen, Darrell Nulisch)
- Offered concurrently with new release *Conqueroo* (YDR 1043)
- East Coast tour scheduled late spring 2004
- Contact retail@yellowdogrecords.com for free store play / review copies

“The Delta blues, gospel, ragtime and folk songs on William Lee Ellis’s brilliant new CD at first sound as if they are a century old. With closer examination, the selections on *The Full Catastrophe* sound neither arcane nor contemporary... The album’s considerable magic comes from its ability to render time and history irrelevant.”

—*The Columbus Dispatch*

“Ellis is a wizard on steel strings.” —*Blues Revue*



TRACK LISTING:

1. Dark World Coming
2. Paratrooper's Blues
3. Jackpot Rag
4. John Ate the Locust and the Honey
5. Darkness as the Noonday
6. That Angel's Trumpet Sound
7. 天 Heaven
8. Evil Witness Song
9. In My Time of Dying
10. 'Til the Last Train Comes Along
11. Bouncing Ball
12. Trouble I Once Knew
13. Sushi Lady Blues
14. New Boot Blues
15. The Good Fight
16. All Sorrow Given Over to Christ

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