

Album information All About Me - Allen Finney

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Låtar

1 Deep In The Blue

Lyrics and music Allen Finney

Starry skies, over great lakes
Rocky highs, Missouri breaks
Northern lights, Parisienne moon
What did you take, what did you make
Deep in the blue?

Stage fright, spot light
Play your guitar like that's who you are
Smoke dynamite, drink lots of booze
What did you make, what did you take
Deep in the blue

London fog, California cool
Strolling down Fifth Avenue
Broadway calls, now you've got it all.
Was that the dream, was that the gleam
Deep in the blue

Rain on the road, way back home
Popcorn fields, row by row
Mama's gone and you're still confused.
What did you make, what did you take
Deep in the blue?

Musiker

Allen Finney vocals, guitar, harmonica
Robert Ivansson, bass!
Jörgen Wall, drums
Ted Hector, organ
Andreas Rydman, resonator guitar/slide

2 Goin Through My Time

Lyrics and music Allen Finney

Sunday morning on the street,
It's grey and cold
Broken bottles and cigarette butts
 lying in the snow
The coffee shop is empty,

nowhere else to go,
Gonna watch the world through a donut hole.
But I don't think about it,
I don't pay it any mind
I'm just going through my time

I look at the morning paper,
I don't see a thing
I look out the window, just mumbling and grumbling
I hear a bird singing so blue
Does that little bird miss somebody too?
But I don't think about, I don't pay it no mind
I'm just going through my time

I had a dream, late last night
I woke up, confounded by the sight
The sky was dark, the lightning was blue
And down on the corner,
A streetlight was shining on you
But I don't think about it, I don't pay it any mind
I'm just going through my time

Musiker

Allen Finney, vocals, guitar, harmonica
Robert Ivansson, double bass
Jörgen Wall, drums
Ted Hector, piano
Andreas Rydman, resonator guitar/slide

3 Here, Where I Belong

Lyrics and music Allen Finney

Like a warbler's melody,
In the sweet summer breeze,
I'm here where I belong

Like a tree hugging the ground
Like a wave against Long Island Sound
I'm here where I belong

I might take a role in a situation comedy
Get locked out in the cold,
On a Brooklyn balcony

I might not always be the boy
handing out baskets of joy
But I'm here where I belong

I might play a part in a late night fantasy
Say something smart
On the deck of a ship at sea

But like the blue in the sky
Like a quarter moon drifting by,
I'm here where I belong
Right here where I belong

Musiker

Allen Finney, vocals

Robert Ivansson, double bass
Jörgen Wall, drums
Ted Hector, piano
Andreas Rydman, resonator guitar/slide

4 Don't Go Away

Lyrics and music Allen Finney

Ice is melting, stars are falling
It's a beautiful day
River's rising, crows are calling
Don't go away

Traffic's crawling, tractor's stalling
It's a beautiful day
Tears arising, bluebird's calling
Don't go away

Sunset's dying, ocean's crying
It's a beautiful day
Darkness falling, airplane's calling
Don't go away

Musiker

Allen Finney, vocals
Robert Ivansson, double bass
Jörgen Wall, drums
Ted Hector, piano
Mikael Augustson, bandeon
Britta Bergström, backing vocals
Hans Johnzon, mandolin

5 Hesitation

Lyrics and music Allen Finney

Hesitation hangs up half of the day
Hesitation in the sandbox where we play
Rocking the boat
Standing in the way

Causing me to stumble,
when I'm walking down the line
Skip a beat when I'm counting time
Make me miss my chance to tell
someone she's looking fine

Hesitation maybe make me lose the game
Oh, but hesitation keeps my fingers
out of the flame
A two headed tale
Hesitation

Musiker

Allen Finney, vocals, guitar, harmonica
Robert Ivansson, bass
Jörgen Wall, drums

Gunnar Muwemba Lidström, electric
Ted Hector, piano

6 Blue Connection

Lyrics and music Allen Finney

When she left, she left me her blue collection
Now she's gone and left me, with no affection
After being my best friend,
 she skipped me like a stone
But the blue she left me keeps me hanging on:
Blue cup, blue spoon, blue tea, blue tune,
In the blue morning room

When the one you're loving, comes crying in pain
Soon as she feels better, she's gone again
This time you swore it wouldn't happen no more
Soon as she comes knocking, you open up the door
Blue Monk, blue moon, Blue Trane, blue tune
In the blue evening room

In this world of trouble coming every day
Living in a bubble won't make it go away
A blue collection, help you when you're down
When a helicopter couldn't lift you off the ground
Blue cup, blue spoon, blue tea, blue tune,
In the blue morning room

Musiker

Allen Finney vocals
Robert Ivansson, bass
Jörgen Wall, drums
Gunnar Muwemba, electric guitar
Ted Hector, organ

7 Laying My Monkey Down

Lyrics and music Allen Finney

Working on the road, body and soul
Hanging with the highway crew.
Wake up in the dark, hands across my heart
Ain't nothing new
Laying my monkey down, laying my monkey down

I'm not afraid of the dark, whatever's waiting there
Behind the book, behind the mirror
But morning, noon and night I need a little light
To get from there to here
Laying my monkey down, laying my monkey down

Twilight comes in a hooded robe,
Hope on a wooden cross
Plastic and steel circle the world and
Sometimes I just get lost

Flowers in the window, flowers in the garden,

I'm breathing in the air
With all of my senses, all my reminiscence
It's been a long, long year
Laying my monkey down, laying my monkey down
Laying my monkey down, laying my monkey down

Musiker

Allen Finney, vocals, guitar, harmonica
Robert Ivansson, double bass
Jörgen Wall, drums
Ted Hector, piano
Tore Berglund, clarinet
Britta Bergström, backing vocals

8 One By One

Lyrics and music Allen Finney

My friends are leaving one by one
I don't know where they've gone
Is it nowhere or Kingdom Come?

My family's leaving one by one
I read my mail, pick up the phone
Is there somewhere beyond the sun?

Kalamazoo to Californ'
Paris to Memphis blowing my horn
Note by note, one by one

Days go by one by one
Sometimes they burn, sometimes they blow
And I don't know where they go
When they're gone

Musiker

Allen Finney, vocals, guitar
Robert Ivansson, double bass
Jörgen Wall, drums
Ted Hector, piano
Andreas Rydman, resonator guitar/slide

9 Going On

Lyrics and music Allen Finney

Seventy-four trips around the sun
Quite a time, every one
Now a new day has begun
I'm going on 75

This corner of the universe
could be much better could be a lot worse.
I'm laughing and cursing and staying alive
Going on 75

How many drams in the witches brew
How many drops in the morning dew?
And how many times I've been blessed by the Blues

Out here on 75

Sometimes I'm sharp as a crystal bell
Sometimes as flat as the places I fell
I've been up the hill and down in the well
Going on 75

Seventy-four times around the sun
Quite a trip, every one
Now I'm off on another run
Going on 75

Musiker

Allen Finney vocals, guitar, harmonica
Robert Ivansson, double bass
Jörgen Wall, drums
Ted Hector, piano
Britta Bergström, backing vocals
Andreas Rydman, resonator guitar/slide

10 The Falls

The boat goes by Niagra Falls
At the bar, last call
Earth will rise above us all

Look at the news, look at the Mall
So many people walk, run and crawl
Earth will rise above us all

Set a date for the climate
Too late, here comes the water-wall
Earth will rise above it all

What happened to the girl who sat up on the hill,
Looking down upon us all
On our boat, Niagra Falls

Musiker

Allen Finney, vocals, guitar, harmonica

11 Leadbelly Blues

Lyrics and music Allen Finney

Staring out my window into the dark,
A million miles and years apart
I still got 'em, Leadbelly blues

Beneath the skin, down to the bone
A notion to jump into the river and drown
I still got 'em, Leadbelly blues

Past the bars and past the cars
Up through that big ol' 12-string guitar
How I got 'em, Leadbelly blues

I hitched a ride on the Rock Island Line
And watched that Midnight Special shine

A light on Leadbelly blues, Leadbelly Blues

Musiker

Allen Finney, vocals, harmonica
Robert Ivansson, double bass
Jörgen Wall, drums
Ted Hector, piano
Gunnar Muwemba Lidström, electric guitar

12 All About Me

Lyrics and music Allen Finney

It's all about me, all about me
All around, up and down, all about me
Wheat in the wind and corn in the pan
Blood on the snow, blood on my hand
Far as I know, far as I see
All about me, all about me

It's all about time, all about time
All around, up and down, all about time
Water clocks and sundials and bell tower chimes,
Skipping rope and counting stars
and nursery rhymes
Tick-tock, eternity,
All about me, all about me

All about love and all about death
All around, up and down, love will take your breath
Old man Mose with his backwater meth
Grandma Mose, upstairs laid to rest
Love and death will set you free
All about me, all about me

All about me, it's all about me
All around, up and down, all about me
Bluebird rapping in the tree
Notes drift by like autumn leaves
As far as I hear, far as I see
All about me, all about me

(All around up and down all around up and down
turkey in the corn chicken in the barn
scarecrow leaning against the moon
hey diddle diddle cat and the fiddle
cow jumped over the spoon)

Musiker

Allen Finney vocals, guitar
Joel Bremer, fiddle

13 Goodnight Irene

Ledbetter/Lomax

Sometimes I live in the country
Sometimes I live in town
Sometimes I get a great notion

To jump in the river and drown

Irene, goodnight. Irene, goodnight
Goodnight Irene, goodnight Irene
I'll see you in my dreams

I love Irene, God knows I do
Love her 'til the sea runs dry
If Irene turns her back on me
I'm gonna take morphine and die

Irene goodnight...

Stop rambling, stop your gamblin'
Quit staying out late at night
Go home to your wife and family
Sit down by the fireside light

Irene goodnight...

Musiker

Allen Finney, vocals, guitar

Jörgen Wall, drums

Ted Hector, piano

Andreas Rydman, resonator guitar/slide

Britta Bergström, backing vocals

Hans Johnzon, mandolin

Petra Wahlgren, fiddle