## BEAR FAMILY RECORDS



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Artist Charlie McCoy & The Escorts

Title Screamin', Shoutin', Beggin', Pleadin'

The Rock 'n' Soul Recordings from 1961-69

Label Bear Family Productions

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Format 1-CD (Digipak) with 36-page booklet

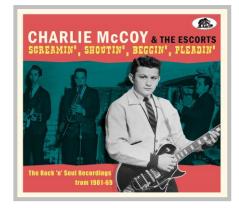
Genre Rock 'n' Roll, Soul, Rhythm 'n' Blues, Country

No. of tracks 29 approx. 79:00 min.

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### INFO:

- Long overdue: Bear Family Records® is dedicating the early days of the career of a top Nashville musician, harmonica player and multi-instrumentalist Charlie McCoy!
- For the first time, his rock & roll, rhythm & blues and soul recordings, released between 1961 and 1969 on Cadence, Monument and Rising Sons, are collected together in a cross-label format.
- The original platters were released as by Charlie McCoy, Charlie McCoy & The Escorts, or The Gas Lantern.
- The Nashville A-Team represents the absolute pinnacle of Nashville's studio scene, rich in world-class musicians, including Charlie McCoy among its most prominent members.
- He has worked on sessions for Elvis Presley, Perry Como, Joan Baez, Steve Miller Band, Johnny Cash, Buffy Sainte-Marie, Kris Kristofferson, Paul Simon, Ringo, Ann-Margret, Johnny Cash, Bob Dylan, Waylon Jennings and Loretta Lynn, among others.
- Foreword by Charlie McCoy himself, McCoy expert Daryl Sanders wrote the extensive liner notes.
- Mastered from digital copies of the original master tapes.

'Screamin', Shoutin', Beggin', Pleadin" - the first CD compilation of early recordings by Charlie McCoy chronicles his musical evolution from a young rock 'n' roller who loved blues, original R&B and soul to a mature, incredibly accomplished studio musician in Nashville.

Charlie McCoy was born in Oak Hill, West Virginia in 1941 and grew up in Miami. His mother gave the boy a harmonica, and he later taught himself to play guitar, dabbled in trumpet, practiced bass guitar and formed his first combo, Charlie McCoy and the Agendas, while in high school.

In 1959, he was drawn to Nashville for the first time. Unsuccessfully, he applied for various jobs as a guitarist in bands of country musicians. Finally, he was hired as a drummer! Various demo recordings Charlie had made during this time ended up with Archie Bleyer, then head of Cadence Records. He signed Charlie and released a first rocking single, *Cherry Berry Wine*, which made it to #99 on the Billboard charts.

In the year 1961 came the breakthrough in McCoy's career. Chet Atkins heard the musician and employed him from then on as a harmonica player and session musician. His style of harmonica playing - as on *Candy Man* by Roy Orbison - was previously unknown in Nashville. His impressive presence on the recordings of well-known artists so impressed the executives at Monument Records that they subsequently released a number of albums and singles by him, some of them highly successful. The single release *Today I Started Loving You Again* from his second LP reached #16 on the country charts, album #3 'The Real McCoy' received a Grammy® and 'Good Time Charlie' eventually made it to the top of the charts!

Throughout the 1970s, McCoy participated in more than 400(!) recording sessions year after year. In 2009, he was inducted into the Country Music Hall of Fame.

With this CD album, Bear Family Records® focuses on the hitherto little documented early years in the career of this unique Nashville player. We reveal an artist who - before he became a major country star - lived out his enthusiasm for rhythm 'n' blues, rock 'n' roll, blues and soul!

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#### TRACKLISTING:

### CD:

Cherry Berry Wine Screamin', Shoutin', Beggin', Pleadin' Gimme Some Lovin' It's A Man Down There Shot Gun Juke Turn On Your Lovelight Hey Baby My Babe Rooster Blues Candy Man Harpoon Man Up Tight Girl (Those Were The Good Old Days) Will You Love Me Tomorrow Stubborn Kind Of Fellow You've Got To Face Life The Boy From England The Gas Lantern feat. Charlie McCoy: Hoot Owl Blues I'm Ready My Little Woman Fingertips Cold, Cold World Jump Back Baby I Just Want To Make Love To You My Baby's Back Again The Gas Lantern feat. Charlie McCoy: Mach 1 **Good Vibrations** Let Him Go

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