



BOB COLLUM

The Ungrateful Depression EP

Oklahoma-born and now Essex-based, songwriter Bob Collum introduces his latest release, a five track EP showcasing his own brand of Anglicised Americana and powerpop; a healthy dose of pedal-steel and of course Bob's own Midwestern twang make the case for the West side of the pond, while his adroit and insightful lyricism, inspired by his heroes Lowe, Costello and Davies, makes the case for the East.

The *Ungrateful Depression*, recorded by legendary producer and former Vibrator Pat Collier, find Bob and his band – Allan Kelly (pedal-steel); Gareth Davies (bass); Paul Quarry (drums) – shaping up nicely alongside guests such as Martin Belmont, ex-Soft Boy Morris Windsor and Country Dirt star, Marianne Hyatt.

In the decade and more since Bob arrived in the UK, he's come up with a series of memorable albums: the solo releases *More Tragic Songs Of Life* and *Low Rent Romeo*, plus two with his band The Welfare Mothers: *The Boy Most Likely To* and *Set The Stupid Free*, and latterly the *Twisted Lines & Mixed Up Rhythms* and *The New Old Thing* EPs. He's also shared stages with an equally memorable cast list of the great and the good of American music, including Dave Alvin, Marshall Crenshaw, Greg Trooper, Alejandro Escovedo, Robert Earle Keen, Robbie Fulks and many more.

Bob and the band are constantly touring the UK but he's happy to make himself available between shows for interviews!

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