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**“LOCKDOWN LIVE 2020” CD/DVD
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European Blues Award winner **Erja Lyytinen** will release her ‘**Lockdown Live 2020**’ as a live album CD and DVD package on **Friday 6th November 2020**. The album brilliantly captures a historic moment in time, as it

was filmed and recorded during the COVID-19 pandemic. The CD/DVD release can be pre-ordered from <https://erjalyytinen.fanlink.to/lockdownlive-preorder>.

“Lockdown Live 2021” comes out four months before Erja’s February 2020 UK tour. Tickets for the UK tour are available from www.erjalyytinen.com/tour.

Coincidentally, there are also parallels between the current situation we find ourselves in, and the award-winning artist’s last studio album **‘Another World’**. Lyytinen goes on to say, “I recently watched the music video we made for the title track and it gave me chills seeing the people in the video wearing masks as they tried to survive on their uninhabitable planet.”

Erja Lyytinen was in the middle of one of her busiest times of her career when the pandemic struck. At the start of the year, Lyytinen was riding the crest of a wave. Her touring and promotional activities were catalysed by a string of high-profile achievements during 2019.

Throughout the previous year, Lyytinen had been bestowed the prestigious **“Savonmuan Hilima”** award by the Savon Sanomat newspaper, released her first biographical book titled Blues Queen (Blueskuningatar), as well as being recognized by the readers of Guitar World with a spot in their ‘30 Best Blues Guitarists in the World Today’ poll.

Subsequently, this fuelled a 2020 touring schedule that included shows in the UK, Canada, Spain, Finland along with her first trip to Australia for an appearance at the world-famous Byron Bay Blues Festival. However, when the pandemic struck Lyytinen found herself caught between a rock and a hard place. With overseas travel restricted and large gatherings prohibited, several months of touring were sadly cancelled or had to be rescheduled.

During the early stages of the lockdown, artists took their shows to the Internet via live streams. Lyytinen decided that she wanted to give her fans the best and most concert-like experience possible. When the opportunity arose, the high-flying Finn headed to Bluesounds Studios in her hometown of Kuopio, Finland on Mother’s Day Eve to record and film the live album/concert performance. The concert was broadcast over the Internet as part of a pay per view event, and now forms the basis of this notable studio-live album.

This live recording takes a retrospective look back on Lyytinen’s long and successful career. And with such a vast back catalogue behind her Erja was quite literally ‘Torn’ between the songs to feature in her setlist and the subsequent concert album.

The inclusion of tracks such as **‘Wildflower’** and **‘Dreamland Blues’** illustrate the international artist’s beginnings whereas soul-baring performances of songs from her last two studio albums **‘Stolen Hearts’** and **‘Another World’** brings the show up to the present date.

Of course, Erja Lyytinen’s self-produced last studio album ‘Another World’ marks the next chapter in both her personal and professional life. And so, the emotive nature of these recent compositions adds to the intensity of the live performance.

With Lyytinen having been separated from her band due to quarantine restrictions for several months, this was one of the first real opportunities for the group to plug in and perform together since their touring activities for 2020 had been interrupted. The result is an electrifying 60-minute set where Erja and her band channelled their pent-up frustration during their energetic studio-live set. The band give their best, whilst enjoying every note they are playing together.

So, grab yourself a cup of Tea (The Blues Queen Tea, that is), sit back, relax, and enjoy as Erja and the band transports you to ‘Another World’ live in concert.

CD AND DVD TRACK LISTING

- 1. Don’t Let A Good Woman Down**
- 2. Cherry Overdrive**
- 3. Black Ocean**
- 4. Hard As Stone**
- 5. Torn**
- 6. Dreamland Blues**

7. Lover's Novels
8. Another World
9. Snake In The Grass
10. Rocking Chair
11. Wedding Day
12. Wildflower

Erja Lyytinen reschedules her May 2020 UK tour to **February 2021** due to the ongoing health crisis. The critically acclaimed Finnish slide-guitarist returns for a nationwide 8-date tour in 2021. Tickets are available via www.erjalyytinen.com/tour.

Erja will perform joint headliner shows with **Chantel McGregor** at **the 100 Club**, London (**Feb 5**), **Brudenell Social Club** in Leeds (**Feb 6**) and **The Stables**, Milton Keynes (**Feb 7**).

The logo for Erja Lyytinen features her name in a large, bold, black, cursive-style font. 'Erja' is on the top line and 'Lyytinen' is on the bottom line, both slanted to the right.

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*Co-headline With Chantel McGregor

London, 100 Club

Friday 5 February 2021

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ERJA LYYTINEN – BIOGRAPHY

Since the release of her tenth studio album *Stolen Hearts* in 2017, Erja Lyytinen has starred on MTV Finland's *Tähdet*, *Tähdet* show, picked up the much-coveted European Guitarist of the Year award, performed in front of 80,000 people in her hometown of Helsinki on New Year's Eve, shared the stage with the legends such as Carlos Santana, Dan Aykroyd and Jennifer Batten, supported Sir Tom Jones as well as clocking up in excess of 100 headline shows across Europe per annum.

Lyytinen's musical pallet is vast, encompassing the best of contemporary blues-rock whilst inspired and influenced by the blues greats of yore. And that respect for those guitar greats has been reciprocated throughout the years.

In June 2018 Erja got to open for Santana at Helsinki's Kaisaniemi Park where he invited the High Flying Finn to play on stage in front of 20,000 people. Carlos was full of praise declaring that "It was inspiring to see her play. It was from the future and I like the future". It was here also where Santana gave Erja the nickname "Lightning" referring to Lightning Hopkins. Similarly, celebrated slide guitar master Sonny Landreth, upon discovering Lyytinen's music remarked: "Things are going well for her and for good reason."

Erja Lyytinen's self-produced last studio album *Another World* marks the next chapter in both her personal and professional life. For Lyytinen's last album she called in a whole raft of her esteemed friends and colleagues that include slide guitar wizard Sonny Landreth and former Michael Jackson guitarist Jennifer Batten.

Erja's path to becoming "The Queen Of Slide Guitar" was unveiled in her first biography *Blues Queen* (*Blueskuningatar*), which came out in Finnish during Fall 2019. The book is presently tipped for English release.

Erja was ranked #14 on *Guitar World's* "30 Best Blues Guitarists Today" alongside peers and legends from the blues genre such as Joe Bonamassa, Eric Clapton, Derek Trucks, Buddy Guy and John Mayer to name but a few.

Throughout the first half of 2020, with activities limited due to the COVID-19 lockdown, Lyytinen began work on new ventures such as the development of her own brand of tea namely 'The Blues Queen', working on her first song book as well as reworking her recent biographical book into new languages.

In June '2020 Lyytinen was voted Number 2 on *Total Guitar's* "10 World's Best Guitarists Now" poll.

During the precarious days of the COVID-19 pandemic Lyytinen returned to her hometown of Kuopio to perform as part of an exclusive online pay per view event. That monumental occasion is now represented as the artist's third live album, the rather unique and historic 'Lockdown Live 2020' CD/DVD package, due for release in November 2020.

For further information and an up to date touring schedule please visit www.erjalyytinen.com.

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