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## AL STAEHELY-POST SPIRIT VOL. 1 1974-1978

The 1970s. What a time in music. There were new sounds emerging from the creative explosion of the previous decade, and some of that era's biggest artists were doing different things. The Who's drummer Keith Moon released a solo album, and the first track on that record was written by a Texas songwriter named Al Staehely. Spirit's original lineup was changing and a Texas songwriter named Al Staehely was brought into the band, as was his gifted guitarist brother John. And "Ode to Billy Joe" hitmaker Bobbie Gentry would record a song written by a Texas songwriter named Al Staehely.

You see the pattern. University of Texas law school graduate Al Staehely entered the seventies making a musical mark in a big way, also recording solo material along the way before eventually practicing law in Houston (Stevie Ray Vaughan was once a client). He does both now, practicing law and making music.

SteadyBoy Records has proudly released his most recent new material, and now we proudly release his post-Spirit solo recordings of the seventies. It's a great representation of the thoughtful songwriting he was doing in those days, the decade on which he first made his mark. *Post Spirit* is among the best of the LA rock recordings of the time, and it's a perfect continuation of the work that began with Spirit's iconic *Feedback* album, for which Al Staehely was the driving creative force.

*Post Spirit* is a classic rock experience, wholly representative of its era in the best way with songwriting that transcends both era and category. That's who Al Staehely was and is, a writer in the tradition of those produced by his great state and a player who soared through a decade of spirit-filled rock from another great state.

--Rush Evans SteadyBoy Records



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Produced by John Boylan

1. Wide Eyed and Innocent
2. Feel the Heat (4<sup>th</sup> of July NYC)
3. Chipping Away
4. Live Like a River
5. Stand in Love
6. Safecracker
7. Too Long Alone
8. Without Love
9. Coasting
10. Put Your Life in My Hands
11. Tenderhooks
12. Wish I'd Said
13. Lady Was a Racehorse

