



TWO NEW CDs, ONE NEW BOOK!

Blacktop Bend: The Grass Is Always Bluer

Biking with Beverly serves up 16 songs in a nearly hour-long disk



After more than a year of grueling sessions in McDade, Austin's beloved bluegrass band Blacktop Bend is pleased to announce the release of its first CD, *Biking with Beverly*.

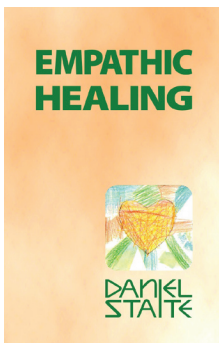
The album features five new original songs from guitarist-front man **George Rios**, including the title track and the haunting "Healing Hands," which features **Darcie Deaville** of the

Austin Lounge Lizards on fiddle. Eleven bluegrass standards, including four live tracks recorded in Austin, are also included.

The rest of the band: **Will Grover** (mandolin), **Janice Larsen** (banjo), and **Justin Chomel** (bass), all of whom sing. The

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Dani Staite: Healing with Empathy



The Corner Oak proudly announces publication of the first book to bear its imprint: *Empathic Healing* from shaman, healer, and meditation leader **Daniel Staite**. Great for all New Age healers.

Available now at
www.amazon.com
 (search "staite empathic healing")

Visit Dani online at
www.thehealingstate.com

Robin Arrieta: Love Yourself, Empower Yourself

Latest meditation disk is a journey to positive change



As the Oaks (Corner and Blue) continue to expand into New Age spirituality, we welcome **Robin Arrieta** as recording artist with the release of the first of a series of meditative journeys: *Empowerment Through Self-Love*.

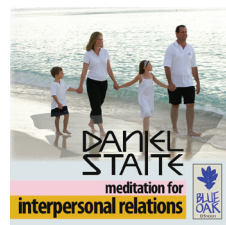
Robin is a practicing reiki master and teacher. *Reiki* means 'life-force energy' and works on all levels of the body, mind,

and spirit to release energy blocks and trauma stored within the physical being. She does Angel and Akashic Record Readings, and is certified in sacred space clearing. She has called Austin her home since 1976 and is doing her best to live Gandhi's beautiful statement: *Be the change you wish to see in the world.*

Robin writes: "After facilitating guided meditations for years, I worked for a hypnosis center that specialized in weight loss and smoking cessation by shifting negative into positive thinking. Watching people bloom with messages of self-worth inspired me to take it to a higher level of self-love and spiritual empowerment. Self-love heals wounds of the mind and body. You are

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foursome braved triple-digit heat in Leander for the Suddenlink Bluegrass Festival on 24 September where they drew the adulation of a rapt audience for the CD release.

Says producer **Lindsey Eck**: "This is the best bluegrass CD you'll hear in 2011. Go see Blacktop Bend and buy a copy of *Biking with Beverly*."

Available now from the band or label;
available around 7 Oct. at
www.cdbaby.com

Visit Blacktop Bend online at
www.BlacktopBend.com

Behind the Scenes with Illicit Response

Video includes interview and acoustic performance

Boston-area hard rockers **Illicit Response** treated fans to an in-store performance which appeared on video as part of the weekly online series **Behind the Scenes**.

Writes songwriter-singer-guitarist **Darian Eck**: "The show was great exposure for us. **NEGB1.com** (New England Garage Bands) is doing great things for the promotion of local music."

The show featured live performances of several of Darian's original songs, along with a cover of "Hey" by the Toadies, and long interview segments with Darian and **Karla Almendarez** (bass, backing vocals) and **Christian Aguilar** (drums, percussion, backing vocals).

Watch the video online at
vimeo.com/28331262

Visit Illicit Response online at
www.illicitresponse.com



Illicit Response Behind the Scenes

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amazing. It is my sincere hope that the loving, positive messages in this recording empower and inspire you while relaxing and healing you."



Robin Arrieta at Blue Oak Studio Space

Robin is a reiki master and teacher located in the Hudson Bend-Lakeway area near Austin.

Available now from Robin or the label or online at
www.cdbaby.com/cd/robinarrieta

Book a session with Robin:
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Gigs

Illicit Response

October (exact date TBA): **Doc's Bar and Grill, Milford, Ma** (cover-band jam)

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1 October, 11:30 a.m.: **Wimberley Market Days, Wimberley, TX**

8 October, 7 p.m.: **Simplicity Wine Bar and Eats, 4801 Burnet Rd., Austin**

28 October, 7 p.m.: **Star Co. Coffeehouse and Cafe, Round Rock, TX**

21 January 2012, 10 a.m.: **Austin Farmer's Market (Downtown)**

Twigs

- Nate Sacks of Norfolk, Virginia, visited Blue Oak Studio Space in September and recorded a single soon to be available online at www.cdbaby.com. While Nate is known as an alternative rocker, this song is a foray into alternative country. Nate will return in October to record additional songs for an EP.
- Coming in October from The Corner Oak: The second book to bear the Corner Oak imprint, *The ABCs of Kick-Ass Recruiting* by **Bob Eskridge** of Eskridge & Associates. Though Bob's specialty is physician recruiting, the book will be valuable to human-resources professionals of all types.
- Please support those in the Bastrop area who have lost homes and offices in the horrendous fires earlier this month. **Lindsey Eck** has played two benefits so far. If you'd like to help in any way, please contact **Debra Lundrigan** at www.basconet.com.

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