

Robert Billard and the Cold Calls - Stop.

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TRACK LISTING:

1. Road To Nowhere (3:40)
2. Six Ptarmigan (3:44) –
3. Waiting for the Land to Dry (3:30)
4. No Shape For Talking (3:11)
5. I'll Leave You Alone (4:48)
6. Groove (5:08)
7. Well Enough Alone (3:17)
8. Waiting on Time (3:01)
9. Nothing Can Stop Me Now (6:14)
10. Home (9:04)

All songs written by Robert Billard

For 30 years, the two sides of Robert Billard have fought each other tooth and nail. The architect vs the recording and performing artist. From the street corners of Halifax playing original maritime folk music to blues/rock on the main stage of a CBC Gala performance broadcast across Canada, Robert played his heart out. Just as passionately, he has designed buildings in seven provinces and territories from Ellesmere Island, Nunavut, to Victoria, British Columbia, to Canso, Nova Scotia. He's shared stages with everyone from The Barenaked Ladies, Great Big Sea, Garnet Rogers, Archie Fisher and James Keelaghan. As The Oakfield Times, he played the Maritimes with original folk music releasing two albums, *Passages* (1993) and *This Land, This Sea* (1994).

In 1999, Robert moved to Iqaluit, Nunavut, and in 2002 his band performed at the nationally broadcast Arctic Winter Games CBC Gala and released as a full-length album *Terra Incognita Live!* In 2013, as The Concord Creek Band, *Gravel Runway*, was released. In 2018 Robert and local musicians started The Draggin Hearts: Tom Petty Live! Tribute Band.

In 2020 Robert finally brought architecture and music together when he designed and built Fifth Chord Studios, a high-quality rehearsal, recording and livestream performance studio. Now, armed with songs written in the dark times of this life, and others looking to find strength and joy, Robert has brought together an amazing cast of Canadian blues artists to record a new contemporary blues-rock album. Robert Billard and the Cold Calls new release *Stop*. Features a veritable who's-who of Canadian musical royalty, including Clayton Hill of Trooper on drums, Guy Wilson-Roberts, Alexander "A-Train" Boynton (The Payola\$), Tobin Frank (Spirit of the West), JW-Jones, Kenny "Blues Boss" Wayne, Tony "Wild-T" Springer (Rough Trade, David Bowie), Murray Porter, Tonye Aganaba and Gowan. Together this group of guest artists have earned as staggering 14 nominations and six wins at the Juno Awards. The album, *Stop.*, recorded and mixed predominately at Fifth Chord Studios is due out May 14th, 2021.

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