



## JEFF SOLOMON

Jeff Solomon, one of the only musicians who can call New York his home, writes songs that pop with quirk, funk and class. His solo shows, which find him switching off between piano and baritone ukulele, have been attracting large and attentive audiences since 2003. Jeff studied saxophone and composition at Cornell University under the guidance of Steven Stucky (2005 Pulitzer for Music). He soon began using his training to turn unconventional chord structures into hooks, pairing them with playful lyrics that twist and braid multiple meanings into a rope... of... words... Jeff became a regular on the Ithaca music circuit, performing as a saxophonist in four bands and playing singer/songwriter gigs opening for indie poppers such as Ari Hest. In 2002, Jeff and four other Cornell alums formed the popular sketch comedy group Elephant Larry, which recently sold out the entire three-month run of its latest show and was called "a hilarious multimedia mix of the deadpan and the maniacal" by the New York Times. Jeff serves as E.L.'s resident composer and songwriter, which keeps him busy along with session work as an arranger, saxophonist, and keyboardist.

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"Around the Square"

**FORMAT:** CD EP

**RELEASE:** iTunes,  
CD Baby & select stores

**PRICE:** \$7.00 (CD)  
\$5.94 (iTunes)



### AROUND THE SQUARE

"Around the Square," Jeff's debut EP, was written and arranged by Solomon and produced by engineer/producer Andrew Felluss, a protégé of Phil Ramone who has worked on a wide variety of acclaimed projects (Ray Charles's "Genius Loves Company," Jay-Z, Paul Simon, The Neptunes, Marwood). This recording brought together a band of talented players from several well-known acts, including bassist Steve Lucas from Bruce Cockburn's band and drummer Doug Clark from alt-country outfit The Allison Cipris Band. The result is a confident-sounding first record that bears repeated listening. "Around the Square" surrounds Jeff's delicate, honest voice with a rootsy, lived-in sound, and the songs cover the spectrum from chamber to funk, from twang to twee.

#### TRACKS:

1. Temporary Song
2. I Sit Around Too Much
3. Like Yesterday
4. Am I Still?
5. Your Eyes
6. Gramercy

#### GO TO:

Tracks 1, 6, 2

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#### DISTRIBUTION:

ROIR Records  
(limited dist.)  
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#### RECENT AIRPLAY:

WICB (Ithaca, NY)  
WEQX (Vermont/New York)  
KALX (Berkeley, CA)  
KWVA (Eugene, OR)  
KZSC (Santa Cruz, CA)  
The Bridge 105.5 (Charleston, SC)  
Yellow Beat (Japan)

#### ONLINE RADIO:

Largehearted Boy (music blog)  
radioO Pop (online radio network)  
Harris Radio (Brooklyn-based radio)  
SrokaSounds (UK-based podcast)  
Baskerville's Syndrome (music blog)

### PRESS

*"His sound is a cross between a younger Elvis Costello and Rufus Wainwright. His talent will most assuredly bloom."* - The Deli Magazine

*"Promising singer/songwriter Solomon has a sensitive touch and an ear for pop ballads."* - Time Out New York

*"A stellar debut."* - Bullz-Eye

*"A promising collection of songs that display an impressive amount of weight. Immediately likeable and full of nuances to pick over."* - Drowned in Sound

*"Solomon has enough practical musicianship to turn oddities into very successful, brainy-complex pop songs."* - New York Press

*"The melodies are outstanding."* Score: **94/100** - VH1 Song of the Year

Recommended by Gothamist, SFist, Seattlest, Largehearted Boy

### COMPARISONS

Andrew Bird, Belle and Sebastian, Rufus Wainwright, The Jayhawks, Tom Waits

### UPCOMING

- 5/11 Crash Mansion (NY)
- 6/21 Pete's Candy Store (NY)
- 7/13 Mo Pitkin's (NY)

### RECENT

- Gunther Murphy's (Chicago)
- Make-Out Room (San Francisco)
- The Knitting Factory (New York)

### RELEVANT LINKS

MAIN <http://www.jeffsolomonmusic.com>  
STORE <http://www.cdbaby.com/jsolomon>  
SPACE <http://www.myspace.com/ukulelepop>  
SKETCH <http://www.elephantlarry.com>