Robert Burton Hubele

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Robert

Short bio

Robert Burton Hubele is a self-taught singer-songwriter and slide dobro player from Calgary, Alberta. Blending blues, jazz, country and pop, he writes about the little things that make a difference. He is currently recording new music with Nashville producer Steve Dawson and a live-in-studio band.

Biography

Robert is the oldest of eight children, raised on the prairies of southern Alberta. At fourteen he laboured at a steel mill, then became a heavy equipment operator. At twenty-one, he wrote his first song.

His love for the blues began with the radio and Eric Burdon's "House of the Rising Sun." A co-worker at the Canadian Pacific Railroad, Butch Williams, loaned him an electric guitar and amplifier and taught him how to use them. Robert played along with B.B. King, Howlin' Wolf, Willie Dixon, Muddy Waters, and Freddie and Albert King.

A lounge-musician roommate turned him on to jazz: Tom Waits, Mose Allison and Fats Waller, then Bing Crosby, Dean Martin, Benny Goodman, Cab Calloway and Louis Jordan. Hank Williams, Hank Snow and Marty Robbins were always playing in the background. Hearing Bonnie Raitt in the early '70s led him to teach himself slide, until the dobro became part of his voice.

Robert writes when a song comes to him, about one a month. "The best ones often come the fastest." His world view is simple: love and harmony are all, and it is the little things in life that matter most.

Selected press

"Purity and honest music." Steven F. Adams, Sound Wave One Music

"Radioworthy." Dani Heyvaert, RootsTime Magazine

"A hopeless romantic." Bill Wilson, Reflections In Blue

Recognition

Winner, Canadian Songwriting Contest ("Sweet Talk," 1984). Songs featured on the compilations Made In Alberta, Living On The Land and Coaldust Grins.

Milestones

1984 "Sweet Talk" wins the Canadian Songwriting Contest

1988 Self-titled album "Robert Burton" on Attic / A&M

1995-2004 When The Sky Falls, Halfway To Everywhere and Three Little Words on Foff Records

2011-2012 I Get Lonely and Highway of Dreams, featuring Brad Steckel

2016 She Won't Talk To Me and The Sleepy Time King

2019 A Lucky Man

Now New recording project with producer Steve Dawson (Nashville)

Catalogue & tracklist

Songs marked "Full" stream in full on the website. All songs are on Spotify, Apple Music and Bandcamp.

Highway of Dreams

01	Highway of Dreams	4:45	Full
02	What I'm Trying to Say	5:08	Full
03	Let Me Dream	4:14	Full
04	Red Wine	3:55	Full
05	Kisses from You	4:16	Full
06	He Thought She Looked Pretty	4:30	Full
07	Same for Me	4:54	Full
08	Don't Worry Baby	6:11	Full
09	Late Night Games At the Midnight Cafe	4:22	Full
10	When the Rains Come	4:23	Full

She Won't Talk to Me

01	She Won't Talk to Me	3:54	Full
02	Life Is Funny	3:21	Full
03	Sweet Talk	3:43	Full
04	Get to the Bottom	4:18	Full
05	I Cried Your Name	3:33	Full
06	Such a Little Thing	3:47	Full
07	Without You	4:04	Full
08	Baby Come Down	4:11	Full
09	In Portugal	3:00	Full
10	Oh Mama	3:55	Full
11	If You Love Christmas	3:43	Full

The Sleepy Time King

01	Grandpa's Lap	2:39	Full
02	Little Jimmy Wouldn't Listen (Story)	3:59	
03	Whistlin' in the Dark	3:28	Full
04	Little Jimmy Wouldn't Listen (Story Ending)	0:30	
05	Jacob & Casey	3:48	Full
06	Natalie Rose	4:17	Full
07	Little Jimmy Would Not Stop (Story)	9:29	
08	Little Jimmy	3:23	
09	Audrey Rose	4:46	Full
10	Sleepy Time King	3:59	Full
11	If You Love Christmas	3:43	Full

Three Little Words

01	Life is Good	3:37	Full
02	The Only One	4:23	
03	She Brings Him (Coffee)	3:47	Full
04	My Honey Bee	3:51	
05	Same For Me	4:55	Full
06	Three Little Words	3:34	

07	Too Many Kisses	3:55	
08	Your Baby's Tears	4:32	Full
09	It's Just Blue	4:42	
10	Coyotes Singin' D'Blues	3:51	Full
11	The Human Heart	6:07	Full

I Get Lonely

01	I Get Lonely	3:37	Full
02	Sometimes	4:41	Full
03	Eddy & Betty	4:05	Full
04	That Feeling Called the Blues	3:54	Full
05	She Brings Him (Coffee)	3:49	Full
06	She Won't Talk To Me	3:14	Full
07	Everything But The Blues	3:44	Full
08	Coyotes Singin' D'Blues	3:51	Full
09	One More Time	2:59	Full
10	I Was Wrong	5:04	Full

A Lucky Man

01	Lucky Man	4:01	
02	I'd Be a Fool	4:07	
03	No Time	4:13	
04	Hurt so Bad	4:15	
05	King County Road	4:13	
06	How Deep Is Your Love	3:21	
07	On the Water	4:10	Full
08	King of Romance	3:53	
09	She Loves Me More	4:16	Full
10	Lovers at Twilight	3:23	
11	Money Can't Buy	3:39	
12	Alberta	3:45	Full

Sync & licensing

One songwriter, simple clearance. Robert writes his own songs and releases on his own label, Hubele Arts Music, and controls both the master recordings and the composition rights, so one contact clears both sides. Instrumental versions are available for most tracks; edits and stems on request. PRO details on request.

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