

LEGENDARY SONGWRITER JOHN HIATT TAKES A JOURNEY DOWN THE OPEN ROAD

New Studio Album Available March 2, 2010 From New West Records

INTERNATIONAL AND US TOUR DATES ANNOUNCED

Los Angeles, CA -- January 22, 2010 -- Looking at life through the rearview mirror was the inspiration for John Hiatt's brand new album, *The Open Road*, due out March 2, 2010 via New West Records. The legendary songwriter's 19th studio album is classic Hiatt, picking up the tempo and returning to rock following his previous critically acclaimed *Same Old Man*. Backed by his touring band, (Kenny Blevins on drums, Patrick O'Hearn on bass and Doug Lancio on guitars), the songs are inspired by life on the road, without looking back. "All the other years, my songs are about coming home," Hiatt says. But within these 11 new songs, home is never the destination.

Hiatt will take the new songs on the road beginning with a run of international dates with Lyle Lovett (see below). Upon returning to the states, he will appear on the 3rd annual Cayamo cruise, on which he's played since the first voyage. Tour dates in North America will follow in March with shows including NYC on March 10th followed by Pittsburgh, DC and Annapolis, which is already sold out.

Hiatt has written songs covered by a multitude of artists in a wide variety of genres including Bob Dylan, Rosanne Cash, Willie Nelson, Jewel and Bonnie Raitt, who most famously recorded "Thing Called Love." On *The Open Road* he showcases both his lyrical and musical talent with his blues driven, rock songs including the title track and "Haulin'." Hiatt produced *The Open Road* himself after recording with his band in his garage-turned-studio.

THE OPEN ROAD TRACK LIST:

The Open Road
Haulin'
Go Down Swingin'
Like A Freight Train
My Baby
Homeland
Wonder of Love
What Kind of Man
Movin' On
Fireball Roberts
Carry You Back Home

TOUR DATES

Feb 27	Ft. Lauderdale, FL	Seminole Casino
Mar 4	Albany, NY	The Egg
Mar 5	Portsmouth, NH	Music Hall
Mar 6	Providence, RI	Lupo's Heartbreak Hotel
Mar 7	Tarrytown, NY	Music Hall
Mar 9	Lebanon, NH	Lebanon New Hampshire Opera House
Mar 10	New York, NY	Irving Plaza
Mar 11	Red Bank, NJ	Count Basie Theatre
Mar 12	Pittsburgh, PA	Carnegie Music Hall
Mar 14	Annapolis, MD	Rams Head Tavern (sold out!)
Mar 15-16	Alexandria, VA	Birchmere
Jul 21	Vienna, VA	Wolf Trap

Additional information and tour dates can be found at www.johnhiatt.com and www.johnhiatt.com</a

Press materials including bio, cover art and photos can be downloaded at press.newwestrecords.com/johnhiatt.

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