

New West Records To Release Original Motion Picture Soundtrack For Fox Searchlight Pictures' Crazy Heart Produced By T Bone Burnett & Stephen Bruton Original Songs Performed By Jeff Bridges

"The Weary Kind (Theme From Crazy Heart)"
Performed By Texas Songwriter Ryan Bingham; Co-Written With T Bone Burnett

Soundtrack Available January 19th 2010 23 Song Deluxe Edition In Stores February 2nd 2010

Los Angeles, CA – New West Records announces the release of *Crazy Heart: Original Motion Picture Soundtrack,* due out on January 19th. A deluxe edition of the soundtrack featuring all 23 songs from the film, sequenced in their running order, will be in stores on February 2nd. The releases are companions to the upcoming Fox Searchlight Pictures movie *Crazy Heart*, starring Jeff Bridges, Maggie Gyllenhaal, and Robert Duvall. The soundtrack was co-produced by 10-time Grammy® Award winner T Bone Burnett who is also credited with the 2009 Album Of The Year and Record of the Year *Raising Sand*, the worldwide smash album from Robert Plant and Alison Krauss. Burnett, who co-produced the soundtrack with guitarist/songwriter Stephen Bruton, earned past Grammy Awards for his work on the 8-times Platinum release, *O Brother Where Art Thou?* and Platinum soundtrack to the Johnny Cash biopic, *Walk The Line*. The film *Crazy Heart*, which will have a limited release December 16th and opens wider in January, is already garnering praise from the press including <u>The Wrap</u> who declared, "The Oscar race needs to make room for Jeff Bridges and T Bone Burnett."

With Burnett also producing the film, the music plays a prominent role. Burnett co-composed the film's score with Bruton and co-wrote many of its original songs, including the pivotal track written throughout the film by Jeff Bridges' hard-living country singer, Bad Blake, "The Weary Kind (Theme From Crazy Heart)," written with acclaimed Texas singer/songwriter Ryan Bingham. The song is performed numerous times in the film by Bridges himself and a Bingham version premieres over the film's trailer. At 28, Bingham has encountered more at this early stage in his life than many will in an entire lifetime. He writes from the genuine perspective of an old soul and has a growing fan base in the US and abroad. Most recently he toured with the legendary Flatlanders and performed at Farm Aid. Bingham makes his acting debut in the film and performs "I Don't Know" co-written by Bruton and Burnett. Buddy Miller, Jay Bellerose and Greg Leisz were among the notable musicians called in to play on the original songs.

The film is dedicated to Bruton, a lifelong friend of Burnett who passed away earlier this year. In a long and distinguished career, Bruton excelled as a musician, songwriter and producer. He played guitar with Kris Kristofferson since the early 70s, had songs recorded by Bonnie Raitt, Willie Nelson, Waylon Jennings and Johnny Cash among others, and released five records as a solo artist, the last three for New West. Just before passing, Bruton was working on *Crazy Heart* both musically and in a consultation role for Bridges. Bruton was able to see the completion of the project before his death.

On the soundtrack, the new original music sung by the films actors, is interwoven with songs by artists who've lived the movie's story including Waylon Jennings ("Are You Sure Hank Done It This Way") and Townes Van Zandt ("If I Needed You"). The soundtrack is rounded out with music from Buck Owens ("Hello Trouble"), The Louvin Brothers ("My Baby's Gone"), Lightnin' Hopkins ("Once A Gambler") and Sam Phillips ("Reflecting Light").

About Crazy Heart (From Fox Searchlight)

Four-time Academy Award ® nominee Jeff Bridges stars as the richly comic, semi-tragic romantic antihero Bad Blake in the debut feature film from writer-director Scott Cooper. Bad Blake is a broken-down, hard-living country music singer who's had way too many marriages, far too many years on the road and one too many drinks way too many times. And yet, Bad can't help but reach for salvation with the help of Jean (Maggie Gyllenhall), a journalist who discovers the real man behind the musician. As he struggles down the road of redemption, Bad learns the hard way just how tough life can be on one man's crazy heart.

About T Bone Burnett:

T Bone Burnett is a 10-time Grammy Award winner, earning numerous statues in 2009 – including Album of the Year and Record of the Year – for his production work on *Raising Sand*, the worldwide smash album from Robert Plant and Alison Krauss. That same year, he was also awarded a Grammy for Best Traditional Blues Album for his work on B.B. King's *One Kind Favor*. He previously earned five Grammys for his work on the 8-times Platinum release, *O Brother Where Art Thou?*, which also spawned two highly successful national concert tours: *Down From The Mountain* and *The Great High Mountain*. Further Grammys followed for his work on the platinum soundtrack to the Johnny Cash biopic, *Walk The Line*, and the platinum Tony Bennett / k.d. lang duets album, *A Wonderful World*. He was nominated for an Academy Award in 2004, along with Elvis Costello in the category of Best Original Song for "The Scarlet Tide" from the film, *Cold Mountain*. For his work on that film, Burnett also earned the BAFTA's Anthony Asquith Award for Achievement in Film Music.

About Stephen Bruton:

Renowned, Texas musician, Stephen Bruton had a long and distinguished career as a musician, songwriter and producer. He released five records as a solo artist, the last three for the New West Records label. As a lead guitar player Bruton was in high demand among legendary contemporaries including Kris Kristofferson and Bonnie Raitt. He recorded with Delbert McClinton, T Bone Burnett, Elvis Costello, Carly Simon, The Wallflowers, Sonny Landreth, Peter Case, Ray Wylie Hubbard and a slew of others. He produced records for Alejandro Escovedo, Marcia Ball and Jimmie Dale Gilmore to name a few. Bruton's songs have been widely covered as well, by artists including Raitt, Kristofferson, Willie Nelson, Jimmy Buffett, Johnny Cash, Waylon Jennings, Martina McBride and Patty Loveless.

About Ryan Bingham:

Ryan Bingham is a Texas-bred singer/songwriter who spent part of his teen years on the bull-riding rodeo circuit, before taking up music. Bingham's latest release Roadhouse Sun (Lost Highway/June 2009) is the follow up to the singer/songwriter's critically acclaimed Lost Highway debut Mescalito (2007). Bingham received high-praise for both albums, including a major cover story in the Los Angeles Times 'Calendar' section. Bingham, and his band The Dead Horses, have appeared on The Tonight Show with Jay Leno, Late Night with Conan O'Brien, Austin City Limits, and most recently performed on The Late Show with David Letterman on November 6, 2009.

About New West Records:

New West Records LLC is an eleven year old, wholly independent record label distributed in the United States by RED Distribution. With offices in Los Angeles, Athens, GA and Austin TX, the company is staffed by a unique blend of music and business specialists. The label has had numerous releases debut in the Billboard Top 200 and boasts a number of Grammy award winning artists and releases including Dwight Yoakam, Steve Earle, Rickie Lee Jones, Kris Kristofferson and Delbert McClinton. In addition, the roster includes Ben Lee, Buddy & Julie Miller, Corb Lund, Ian Hunter, John Hiatt, Jordan Zevon, Mark Olson & Gary Louris, Old 97's, Randall Bramblett, Ray Davies, Stephen Bruton, The Drams, The Flatlanders and Tim Easton. The extensive catalogue boasts releases from Benji Hughes, Drive-By Truckers, Jason Isbell and Vic Chesnutt. In 2007 and 2008 New West was recognized by NARM as the entertainment software supplier of the year. New West Records also exclusively releases CDs and DVDs from the award-winning television program "Austin City Limits".

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Crazy Heart: Original Motion Picture Soundtrack Track Listing:

1. Hold On You

Performed by Jeff Bridges

(Stephen Bruton, T Bone Burnett, John Goodwin and Bob Neuwirth)

2. Hello Trouble

Performed by Buck Owens

(Orville Couch and Eddie McDuff)

3. My Baby's Gone

Performed by The Louvin Brothers (Hazel Houser)

4. Somebody Else

Performed by Jeff Bridges

(Stephen Bruton and T Bone Burnett)

5. I Don't Know

Performed by Ryan Bingham

(Stephen Bruton and T Bone Burnett)

6. Fallin' & Flyin'

Performed by Jeff Bridges

(Stephen Bruton and Gary Nicholson)

7. I Don't Know

Performed by Jeff Bridges

(Stephen Bruton and T Bone Burnett)

8. Once A Gambler

Performed By Lightnin' Hopkins

(Sam Hopkins)

9. Are You Sure Hank Done It This Way

Performed by Waylon Jennings

(Waylon Jennings)

10. Fallin' & Flyin'

Performed by Colin Farrell & Jeff Bridges

(Stephen Bruton and Gary Nicholson)

11. Gone, Gone, Gone

Performed by Colin Farrell

(Ryan Bingham and T Bone Burnett)

12. If I Needed You

Performed by Townes Van Zandt

(Townes Van Zandt)

13. Reflecting Light

Performed by Sam Phillips

(Sam Phillips)

14. Live Forever

Performed by Robert Duvall

(Billy Joe Shaver and Eddy Shaver)

15. Brand New Angel

Performed by Jeff Bridges

(Greg Brown)

16. The Weary Kind (Theme From Crazy Heart)

Performed by Ryan Bingham

(Ryan Bingham and T Bone Burnett)

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Performed by Buck Owens

(Orville Couch and Eddie McDuff)

3. My Baby's Gone

Performed by The Louvin Brothers (Hazel Houser)

4. Somebody Else (Instrumental)

Performed by Stephen Bruton

(Stephen Bruton and T Bone Burnett)

5. Somebody Else

Performed by Jeff Bridges

(Stephen Bruton and T Bone Burnett)

6. I Don't Know

Performed by Ryan Bingham

(Stephen Bruton and T Bone Burnett)

7. Wesley's Piano

Performed by Tom Canning

(Tom Canning)

8. Fallin' & Flyin'

Performed by Jeff Bridges

(Stephen Bruton and Gary Nicholson)

9. Searching (For Someone Like You)

Performed By Kitty Wells

(Murphy Maddux)

10. I Don't Know

Performed by Jeff Bridges

(Stephen Bruton and T Bone Burnett)

11. Once A Gambler

Performed By Lightnin' Hopkins

(Sam Hopkins)

12. Are You Sure Hank Done It This Way

Performed by Waylon Jennings

(Waylon Jennings)

13. I Let The Freight Train Carry Me On

Performed by The Delmore Brothers

(Alton Delmore, Rabon Delmore and Sydney Nathan)

14. Color Of The Blues

Performed By George Jones

(George Jones and Lawton Williams)

15. Joy

Performed by Lucinda Williams

(Lucinda Williams)

16. Fallin' & Flyin'

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17. Gone, Gone, Gone

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Performed by Townes Van Zandt

(Townes Van Zandt)

19. Reflecting Light

Performed by Sam Phillips

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20. Mal Hombre

Performed by Lydia Mendoza

(Lydia Mendoza)

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