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RICKY ROSS 'SHORT STORIES VOL. 1' - NEW ALBUM ON EARMUSIC AND TOUR IN AUTUMN 2017

Ricky Ross, lead singer, songwriter and founder of multimillion album selling group **Deacon Blue** follows the release of 2016's "*Believers*", the band's most successful studio album in 23 years and "*Live at The Glasgow Barrowlands*" the recently released UK Number 1 Music DVD, is very happy to announce his new solo album and tour, "*Short Stories Vol.1*". Album to be released on CD and vinyl on September 15th, 2017 on earMUSIC.

The album was recorded over two days at Chameleon Studios in Hamburg and had its sumptuous strings and choir added back in Glasgow. It finds **Ricky Ross** playing brand new songs, revisiting well-known **Deacon Blue** tracks and to other less well known songs from throughout his 30 year career as one of Britain's best loved songwriters.

The idea of the album will be further developed on the just announced extensive Autumn tour, with **Ricky** at the piano, playing special venues across the UK, Ireland, Germany and Holland, presenting his songs and telling stories about what has influenced his songwriting from across his entire career.

For the first time tickets for the tour are available to buy alongside the album and doing so unlocks an exclusive, limited edition, numbered 7" vinyl containing a new recording of the **Deacon Blue** classic '*Raintown*' recorded with a beautiful backing choir, along with a brand new track '*A Soldiers Song*'.

Both recordings are only available on the limited 7" vinyl edition.

In **Ricky's** own words: "This album is like a souvenir of my solo shows, which are a very different beast to **Deacon Blue** live. They're intimate, minimal, a chance for me to revisit songs that started out life with just piano and vocals and take them back to their roots, as well as play some new songs inspired by recent times."

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