



# ERICA WHEELER

## GOOD SUMMER RAIN

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**“Listening to *Good Summer Rain* is like flipping through the photo album of an Ansel Adams road trip.” – Planet Jackson Hole News**

*Good Summer Rain*, the new album from award-winning songwriter Erica Wheeler, is an imaginative, unforgettable journey through the American landscape and the lives lived there. Each song beautifully evokes the relationships between people and place today, spanning from the intimate streets of Greenwich Village to the sweeping vistas of Jackson Hole and reaching out to where farmland gives way to sprawl and wilderness gives way to industrial growth.

Produced in Boston by Crit Harmon (Martin Sexton, Mary Gauthier, Lori McKenna), *Good Summer Rain* fuses the roots Americana sounds of dobro, mandolin, guitar, and drums with the elegance of piano and upright bass, offering a rich textural foundation for Erica’s expressive lyrics and intimate, conversational vocal style.

Beautiful, thoughtful, deeply spiritual and satisfying, *Good Summer Rain* evokes a sense of connection that is much needed in our world today. It will make you smile, laugh and cry, but most of all, it will make you think.

*Good Summer Rain* was sponsored in part by **The Trust for Public Land** ([www.tpl.org](http://www.tpl.org)), an organization that works to conserve land for people by protecting cherished landscapes from inner cities to wilderness. Working together, Erica and TPL are helping to inspire a deeper connection between people and place today.

### MORE ABOUT ERICA WHEELER

Based in western Massachusetts, Erica Wheeler is an award-winning songwriter with five critically acclaimed releases to her credit. She has been featured on **NPR’s *All Things Considered*** and **WXPN’s *World Café***. Her CD “The Harvest” remained on **Billboard’s *Gavin Americana Chart*** for five months with a solid month in the top ten. Erica has appeared at clubs, concert halls, colleges and festivals across the country and has shared the bill with Shawn Colvin, Indigo Girls, Greg Brown and many others.

The Fall 2007 issue of **Yankee Magazine** gave her music the honored distinction of being named the second best thing about fall, “Best Soundtrack.” **All Music Guide** stated that her songs combine “*the literary sensibility of New England with the spiritual vision of the American West.*” **The Berkshire Eagle** noted, “*Not everyone can turn their impressions into three-minute works of art that resonate with compelling truths. Erica Wheeler is one of the rare few who can.*”

Erica also offers **The Soulful Landscape**, her writing workshop and keynote concerts at conferences, learning centers and community events across the country. Designed to foster the connections between people and place, her concerts help evoke a sense of place in the listener, while her hands-on workshops provide them opportunity to express and articulate their stories of connection. She has offered her workshops and keynotes at The National Land Trust Alliance Rally, The Center for Whole Communities, Antioch New England Graduate School and more.



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