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captures the quality and breadth of Erica Wheelers music. A voice that echos a little bit folk, a little bit new country, bluegrass and blues, Erica's music is an imaginative and ultimately unforgettable ride through the American Landscape" 22 MP3 Songs FOLK: like Joni, COUNTRY: Bluegrass Show all album songs:

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This recording is dedicated to those of you who come up to me at the CD table after a show and asked, "Which one is most like tonight?" Now I can point and say "This one!" From the liner notes of "Almost Like Tonight". This live recording shows the breadth and depth of Erica Wheeler's skills as a live performer.

Mostly gathered from a 2004 Valentine's Night concert in Homestead, Florida, this CD is a compilation of live recordings. Included are: some song introductions, live versions of Erica's previously released songs, some new songs, some funny songs that lend themselves to a live setting, a new studio version of a song from Erica's first cassette AND a short radio interview on KPIG radio. REVIEW Erica Wheeler translates folk with fine live performances Centre Daily Times 1/20/2006 by Dennis Fallon On "Almost Like Tonight"

, Massachusetts singer-songwriter Erica Wheeler weaves a tapestry of the America between New York and Los Angeles--a place of back roads and working class heroes, blended with lost love and sorrow found to paint a bittersweet picture of our homes and lives. The live CD is a perfect vehicle for Wheeler's bluegrass and folk styling: her voice is warm and welcome, showcasing a wealth of vocal power and prowess held in reserve. You can tell that Wheeler could belt out a tune to shake the rafters, but she chooses to whisper instead of shout, murmur instead of scream. It's an effective technique for her intimate songwriting and the personal nature of her live performances. A collection of Wheeler's tunes and an ample amount of covers, "Almost Like Tonight" gives Wheeler a chance to chat with the audience, crack jokes and explain herself--a "VH1 Storytellers" for the NPR crowd. Wheeler's vocal delivery is what

makes these songs; she's a combination of Ani DiFranco at her folkier, the Indigo Girls at their most mellow, and a healthy dose of old Appalachian bluegrass. "Maryland County Road" and "The Harvest" are simple country tunes that evoke laughter, memories and Americana. Wheeler flexes her comedic muscles on the sing-alongs " I Can See Your Aura" and "Sober Harley Guys", and her cover of Van Morrison's "Crazy Love" is pure magic... Overall, "Almost Like Tonight" is a great CD for folk, country and bluegrass fans. Wheeler is that new breed of songwriter: an eclectic mix of styles forming a truly American sound. She's political and socially aware, but not self-conscious, pompous or too serious.

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