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## **Bill Price Releases CD of Original Songs: "Bones & Apples"**

performing songwriter **Bill price** has released a cD of fifteen original songs with the title **Bones & Apples**.

The Indianapolis-based price is perhaps best known as lead singer for the band "The Brains Behind pa." The group's 2002 roots-traditional album **old Hat** received airplay on college and alternative stations around the country, in canada and in Europe.

**Bones & Apples** straddles the categories of rock and folk, while price's songwriting influences include Bruce cockburn, Bob Dylan and wilco — "literate rock" would be another way of putting it. The lyrics, full of word-play and worldly references, matter as much as the expert musicianship on the album.

The songs deal with themes of the environment ("Hollow wheel"), spirituality ("within without"), and individualism ("Autonomous waltz," "Black Dog Blues.") price addresses romantic themes as well, in songs such as "wooden Indian" and "Ghostman." Themes often cross paths within a song. For example, "something about skies of Blue," addresses the desecration of the environment from a spiritual angle. Although subtle in most instances, both Judeo-christian and Native American images and ideas are weaved thoughout this record. The album's title was inspired by the Native American "circle of life" as well as Dr. Martin Luther King Jr's. Quote: "Even If I knew that tomorrow the world would go to pieces, I would still plant my apple tree."

price is backed on the album by some highly-regarded musicians, including jazz and rock guitarist paul Holdman, and drummer Jamey Beid — and by his bandmates from "The Brains Behind pa," blues guitarist Gordon Bonham, and keyboardist Garry Bole. A technical note: **Bones & Apples** was recorded on 2" analog tape. "There was," price says, "No computer or pro tools software. Just real musicians playing real instruments."

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