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RON ESPOSITO'S CD 'OPEN HEART' ADDED TO "ECHOES" PLAYLIST

Cincinnati, OH – **Echoes**, the groundbreaking syndicated music program distributed by Public Radio International, has added a track from Ron's Esposito's new CD "[Open Heart](#)" to its playlist. Referred to as "public radio's daily chillout show," **Echoes** is a two-hour music program broadcast on 130 radio stations from coast to coast. Hosted by John Diliberto, **Echoes** brings together a wide array of styles, from acoustic to electronic, jazz to space music, the avant-garde to rock – merging cultures and forms. **Echoes** can be heard locally on WVXU, 91.7 FM, and WMUB, 88.5 FM, Monday through Friday from 10:00 p.m. to 12:00 midnight. The program can also be heard on line at www.wvxu.org and www.wmub.org.

"Open Heart" is Ron Esposito's first solo CD and features this former blues bassist playing the Tibetan and Crystal Singing Bowls. Interested in introducing the bowls to a wider audience, he assembled a group of outstanding musicians from genres that span both ancient and modern cultures. The instrumentation may be familiar to fans of New Age or ambient music, and yet it defies categorization – guitarist Ric Hordinski (Over the Rhine, Phil Keaggy, David Wilcox), Jim Feist on tabla, Janice T. Sunflower on Native American flutes and Doug Perry on percussion and hammer dulcimer. In addition to the bowls, Esposito also plays kalimba. The final track features the gospel-esque vocals of Angie Pepper.

[Cincinnati Enquirer](#) writer Rick Bird describes the CD as "elegant" going on to say "how Esposito brings a joyful jazz-like improv feel to his singing bowl work." The track from "Open Heart" that debuted on **Echoes** (October 5) is inspired by jazz trumpet legend Miles Davis. Entitled "Miles Away," it features Janice T. Sunflower playing Native American flute. "I asked her to channel Miles from his 'Bitches Brew' period, and she delivered," comments Ron.

Echoes playlists are available on their [website](#). At www.ronesposito.com, watch the "Open Heart" video, sample every track, and find links to [CD Baby.com](#), [Amazon.com](#) and a list of Greater Cincinnati retailers carrying the CD. ###