

Erja Lyytinen – 50th Birthday Live 2026
New Live Album Released October 9, 2026

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Featuring the live single “One Thing I Won’t Change”
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Finland’s own “Queen of the Slide Guitar” **Erja Lyytinen** is celebrating her **50th Birthday** with a lavish live album package consisting of a double CD, double vinyl and a full-length DVD, which was recorded at the prestigious **House of Culture**, known as “**Kultsa**” in **Helsinki Finland on 21st March 2026**. The venue House of Culture has a long tradition as a live music locale, where renowned artists from Jimi Hendrix, Led Zeppelin, Queen, and Slayer have performed.

Entitled **Erja Lyytinen – 50th Birthday Live 2026**, the spectacular live album is released by **Tuohi Records** on **Friday October 9** and is available to pre-order on CD and vinyl [HERE](#), and digitally [HERE](#).

The first single take from *Erja Lyytinen - 50th Birthday Live 2026* album is Lyytinen’s song “**One Thing I Won’t Change**” that features glam rock and punk-legenda **Sami Yaffa** (Hanoi Rocks, New York Dolls, Joan Jett) on bass guitar and on backing vocals. The live single is available on all streaming platforms [HERE](#). Watch the live performance video on YouTube [HERE](#).

The chemistry between the two musicians’ sparkles on this song, which combines blues and classic rock and has an infectious chorus, which makes you move!

Erja's amazing band back her through this 90-minute-long concert full of old gems from her career. The release features songs from albums such as ***Voracious Love***, ***Another World***, and the latest studio album ***Smell the Roses***.

This is a heavy blues rock show with international stars. Erja brought her favorite artists to perform alongside her on the show. Swedish banjo punk/blues group Baskery featured on the song "**Torn**" with Erja accompanying their vocals with her guitar. Legendary bassist Sami Yaffa (Joan Jett, Hanoi Rocks, New York Dolls) joined Erja and her band on the track "**One Thing I Won't Change**" and you can certainly feel their energy, while they rock out to this tune that was rearranged for the event from the album ***Forbidden Fruit*** (2012) to celebrate life and Erja's musical skills today.



Photo by Elsa Wellamo

The evening starts with an introduction from Erja's twin boys inviting the group on stage and after that the first band song "**Ball and Chain**" kicks in hard. We also hear "**Smell the Roses**" and "**Going to Hell**" from the latest studio album, before the set list continues with songs from older gems such as the rocking "**Bird**," Erja's beautiful slide solo take on "Lullaby," the lushy "**Cherry Overdrive**" and "**Nasty Weather**" from Erja's ***Dreamland Blues*** album. The latter was recorded in Mississippi in 2006 with Kinney and David Kimbrough and has now been played and renewed exactly twenty years after.

On the song "**Another World**," Erja makes a vocal break down, where a thousand people in the audience join her to sing along and savor this great moment together. The live recording also includes "**Stoney Creek**" and "**The Ring**" as an encore song, that wrap up the joyous evening at House of Culture on Erja's Birthday.

Additionally, the live album contains a concert from the ***Smell the Roses*** studio album release tour in October 2025. Recorded in Tempo, Mikkeli Finland, this recording has all the album songs, like "**Dragonfly**," the heavy "**Abyss**," the heart wrenching ballad "**Empty Hours**," huge southern-rock vibey "**Wings to Fly**" and in addition Erja's favorite live tracks "**You Talk Dirty**" and a 13-minute-long rendition of "**Wedding Day**". The latter was originally recorded on the album ***Another World*** together with slide maestro Sonny Landreth.

Erja Lyytinen – 50th Birthday Live 2026 album is a great package showing that this firecracker lady continues to enjoy playing live and isn't anywhere near ready to stop making music and developing herself as a musician, songwriter, and entertainer. This live album is a must for all Erja fans, who enjoy unique hard rock and blues music played with an attitude. And it will leave you with a smile on your face!

TRACK LISTING

50TH BIRTHDAY LIVE 2026

CD/DVD

1. Introduction by Massimo & Dante (0:50)
2. The Road Leading Home (1:21)
3. Ball and Chain (4:55)
4. Smell the Roses (5:29)
5. Going to Hell (5:28)
6. Hard as Stone (4:48)
7. Bird (6:46)
8. One Thing I Won't Change featuring Sami Yaffa (4:19)
9. Another World (7:23)
10. Torn featuring Baskery (3:54)
11. Lullaby (2:03)
12. Nasty Weather (4:01) (Only DVD)
13. Cherry Overdrive (5:59)
14. Don't Let a Good Woman Down (4:01)
15. You Talk Dirty (6:51)
16. Stoney Creek (7:45)
17. The Ring (7:12)

SMELL THE ROSES LIVE 2025

CD

1. Ball and Chain (4:48)
2. Smell the Roses (4:55)
3. Dragonfly (7:54)
4. Going to Hell (5:00)
5. Abyss (7:24)
6. Stoney Creek (6:09)
7. The Ring (7:10)
8. Empty Hours (5:08)
9. Wings to Fly (7:00)
10. You Talk Dirty (8:52)
11. Wedding Day (13:19)

PRODUCTION CREDITS

Erja Lyytinen - Vocals, guitars

Harri Taittonen - Hammond, backing vocals

Heikki Saarenkunnas - Bass, backing vocals

Jesse Lehto – Drums

Olli Huttunen - FOH Sound engineer
Santtu Lehtiniemi - Guitar tech
Elsa Wellamo – Photography
Marko von Konow - Graphic design

Recorded by Olli Huttunen at Mikkeli, Tempo, Finland on 03.10.2025 and House of Culture, Helsinki Finland on 21.03.2026

Mixed by Matias Kiiveri at Hollywood House, Helsinki Finland 2026

Mastered by Svante Forsbäck at Chartmakers, Espoo Finland 2026

Executive producer Erja Lyytinen for Bluesland Productions/Tuohi Records

A promotional poster for Erja Lyytinen's 50th anniversary tour. The main image shows Erja Lyytinen, a woman with long dark hair, wearing a black top and multiple necklaces, holding a black electric guitar. The background is a smoky, dark stage setting. The text 'ERJA LYYTINEN' is at the top in large white letters. Below it, 'UK TOUR 2026' is written. A list of tour dates and venues follows: OCT 8th DUDLEY, The Lamp Tavern; OCT 9th SEDGEFIELD, Sedgefield Parish Hall; OCT 11th EDINBURGH, La Belle Angele; OCT 12th DARLINGTON, Angels Cut (Erja Lyytinen solo); OCT 13th SHEFFIELD, The Greystones; OCT 14th OXFORD, The Bullingdon; OCT 15th LONDON, The Half Moon; OCT 16th FAVERSHAM, The Old Brewery Store. A website 'erjalyytinen.com/tour' is in a rounded box. At the bottom, there are logos for 'TUOHI RECORDS', social media links (WWW.ERJALYYTINEN.COM, WWW.FACEBOOK.COM/ERJALYYTINEN, WWW.YOUTUBE.COM/ERJALYYTINENOFFICIAL, WWW.INSTAGRAM.COM/ERJALYYTINEN), and the 'Bluesland PRODUCTIONS' logo. On the right side, there is a smaller framed image of Erja Lyytinen with the text 'Erja Lyytinen' and '50th BIRTHDAY LIVE 2026' and '50th BIRTHDAY LIVE OUT ON OCTOBER 9th!'.

ERJA LYYTINEN 50th ANNIVERSARY

ROCK & BLUES BIRTHDAY UK TOUR OCTOBER 2026

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