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## CD Review

**JIMMY O** is a Los Angeles based singer/guitarist, who on his debut CD "Bolt From the Blue" serves up **an unpretentious set of originals and covers that are highlighted by his tough guitar playing that brings to mind both Jimmy and Stevie Ray Vaughan.**

The self penned "Mean Looking Woman" kick-starts the CD in solid rocking style with lashings of incendiary guitar licks, stomping piano and riffing harp adding fire to the mix. Bobby Bland's "I Pity the Fool" is given an SRV treatment; "The Hunter" impresses with stinging guitar licks fired over stomping bluesy piano from James Borden, whose organ provides the soulful backcloth to the moody "Nothin' But the Blues" (another fine Jimmy O original). B.B. King's "Ask Me No Questions" demonstrates the more mellow side of Jimmy's playing, as does the rolling blues of "Tough Love" on a set that will have instant appeal to all lovers of the aforementioned Vaughan Brothers. (Available from Smokestack Records, Box 5225, North Hollywood, CA 91616-5225)

—Mick Rainsford  
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