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**INDIE ICON SINGER/SONGWRITER/FEMINIST/AUTHOR
ANI DIFRANCO RELEASES “YOU FORGOT TO SPEAK”
FROM 23RD ALBUM UNPRECEDENTED SH!T, OUT MAY 17,
PRODUCED BY BJ BURTON**

CURRENTLY STARRING AS PERSEPHONE IN HADESTOWN ON BROADWAY

DOCUMENTARY PREMIERING AT TRIBECA FILM FESTIVAL IN JUNE

THIRD BOOK SHOW UP AND VOTE TO BE RELEASED IN AUGUST

Nashville, TN – Today, singer/songwriter/feminist/author Ani DiFranco releases “You Forgot to Speak” from her 23rd album, *Unprecedented Sh!t*, out May 17 on DiFranco’s label Righteous Babe Records. “You Forgot to Speak” delves into the complexities of gender dynamics and the internalized oppression that can manifest in women within patriarchal societies. Listen to “You Forgot to Speak” [HERE](#) and via DSPs [HERE](#). Pre-order *Unprecedented Sh!t* [HERE](#).

Produced by BJ Burton (Bon Iver), *Unprecedented Sh!t* pushes boundaries both musically and thematically. The songs touch on a range of topics, from global crises to personal struggles, with a critical eye toward the current state of affairs. Sonically, DiFranco and Burton explored new textures and possibilities, resulting in a sound that is both raw and refined, intimate yet expansive.

DiFranco is currently starring as ‘Persephone’ in the Tony and Grammy Award-winning Best Musical, *Hadestown*. DiFranco’s history with *Hadestown* began in 2010 when she invited Anais Mitchell to release the original studio album of *Hadestown* on Righteous Babe Records. DiFranco originated the role of ‘Persephone’ on the album, leaving an enduring impression on the character as the show evolved over the course of several years.

A new documentary on DiFranco’s rise entitled 1-800-ON-HER-OWN will premiere at the Tribeca Film Festival in June. The film is a vulnerable look at her life today, as she struggles to balance artistry with the demands of family.

DiFranco is also a published author. Her memoir *No Walls and the Recurring Dream* was a *New York Times* Top 10 best seller in 2019, and her debut children's book *The Knowing* is out now. Her next children's book *Show Up and Vote* is due in August of 2024.

Widely considered a feminist icon, Grammy winner Ani DiFranco is the mother of the DIY movement, being one of the first artists to create her own record label, Righteous Babe Records, in 1990. She has released 22 albums, traversing folk, punk, hip-hop, soul and electronic genres and addressing a range of autobiographical, political and social issues. Her most recent album is the June 2023 25th Anniversary Edition reissue of her seminal effort *Little Plastic Castle*.

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