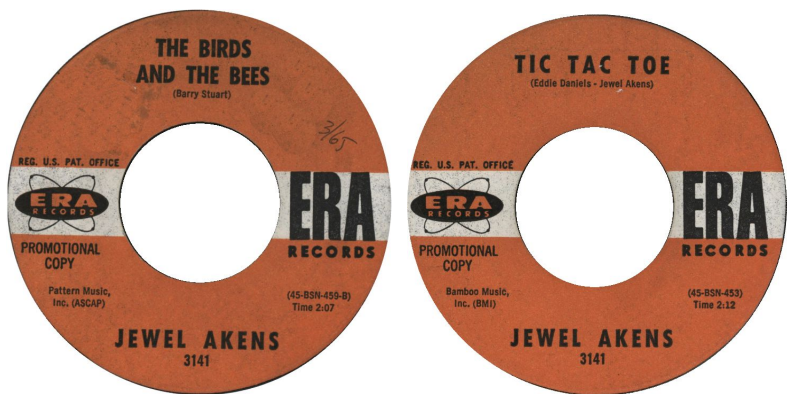


Jewel Eugene Akens - LP and singles - “The Birds And The Bees”



US Promotional release



The US



and Canadian release of the hit-single (no. 2 in US), that sold more than a million copies



UK version

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| 0615 | Akens, Jewell | <i>The Birds and The Bees/Tic Tac Toe</i> | <i>Era Records 3141 (US) 1965</i> |
| 0520 | Akens, Jewell | <i>The Birds and The Bees/Tic Tac Toe</i> | <i>Era Records 3141 (CAN) 1965</i> |
- Leon on organ!*



The follow up single “Georgie Porgie” was basically the same melody as “The Birds and the Bees” with new lyrics

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| 758 | Akens, Jewell | <i>Georgie Porgie/Around the corner</i> | <i>Era Records 3142 (US) 1965</i> |
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- Leon organ on 1 and piano on 2*

The Birds And The Bees

Era EL 110 (US)

1965

Georgie Porgie (organ) –
Love Potion no. 9 (no piano) –
Sukiyaki (no piano) –
The Birds and the Bees (organ) –
Michael (Row the boat) (piano) –
So this is love (piano) –
Around the Corner (piano) –
Dear Heart (piano) –
Tic Tac Toe (piano background) –
King of the road (piano) –
It's the only way to fly (organ) –
The Vegetable Love Song (piano)

Akens first solo album. Leon all over - piano and organ. Recorded at the Gold Star Studio.

Carol Kaye on "The Birds and the Bees": "They ran my guitar through a Leslie organ speaker cabinet with the blower on for this tune – you had to play very even and strong to trigger the notes just right. An interesting effect. This date was at Gold Star a Don Ralke arrangement (Herb Newman production), later paid as union (first not - one of those "demo" dates most studio musicians did to help a fledgling company get off the ground with, before you insisted they got the Musicians Union license to hire us legally - we got 2 checks for this, the original one and later on, the Union one). Jewell sung live with the small band, he's a very nice fellow, wonderful singer and is still going strong on-tour etc."

*It's the only way to fly/**You sure know how to hurt a Fella*

Era 3147 (US) LR?

1965

Another follow up from Akens. There is a short organ solo on 1 and piano on 2 I guess it must be Leon.



Promotional copy

1410	Akens, Jewell	<i>Sniff-sniff-poo-pah-pahdoo/ He who hesitates is lost</i>	<i>Era 3159 (US)</i>	1965
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This is again a follow up written and played along the same lines as "Birds and Bees". LR on 1, and clearly Leon on organ on 2. The title on track 1 is the name of his dog "he is a secret agent and a hound dog too"!

Leon did several more tracks with Jewell Akens.