Ballad Of Youth

by Richie Sambora/Tommy Morolda From the album "Stranger In This Town" (1990) transcribed by Rumen Krastev

Another great Richie's tune taken from his SITT album!

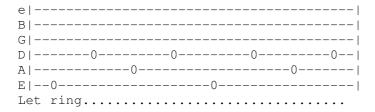
Richie wrote this one in the last minutes, when he was recording in the studio and IMO the result is damn good!

I haven't tried to transcribe the short outro solo, because it's mixed too low and you can't even hear what Richie is playing! Enjoy!

Intro:

B G D A	 7-	 10 	-10- 	 -10- 	 -10- 	10 7	-10 	10 	-10-	1 1 -8	10-) 	 	10	 0 8-	1 10 	0	-10- 	 -10 	
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Fig.1:



Riff 1: e I --e l D I --------3--2--0----e|-----12-14-14b15---12h14p12------| B|---12-----15-13--15b17--15~--A | -----3--2--0-----| E | --0--0--3--0---0--3--0-----Riff 2: Е5 D5 A D C D Ε u d BI-----5-x----5-7---7--7--7--7--G | --9--x---x--9--5--x-----5--5--x---5--5--7--x--7--7--7--9--x-- | D|--9-x---9-9-7-x---7-7-5-x--5-5-7-x--7----9-x--| A | --7--x---7--7--7--x----7--3-----3----5--x--5--x--5--x--5--x-el· GI-E5 D Α d u d u BI-----5-x----5-7---7--7--7--7 G | --x--9--5--x----5--5--x---5--5--7--x----7--7--7-----D|--9--9--7--x----7--5--x---5--5--7--x----7------A | --7--7--x----5--x----5--x----5--x----5--x-----

A | -----7h9----7h9---9--|

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Ri	iff 3	:				
D	Em	— Em/F#	G	Am	End.	
B G D A	2 2		2	02	 22- 2	
E e B G D	End.2 -23-	-200-				
Sc 	olo: d	u du				
B G D A	 17- 17-	17-x-17-17- 17-x-17-17-	12 17 -x-17	12 -14~x:	12 14~	12
B I G I D I	15 	-12 14-14b15r1	4r-12h14p12-	14b15r14-1: 1214b15r14-1: 	2 2-14p121 14	x-12
B G D A	 	-12-15b17~ 	15- 	-12 14b16r1	 L4-12 14~	/17~15-15-14-1417-15-15~
F i	ig.2:					
B G D A	 5- 	 -6/8~ 				
Fi	ig.3: 					
B G D A	6 	 /8~ 				

Fig.4: e|--17b19~-r17~--14tr15-----| B | -----15-17~--| G | -----| A | -----| E | ----- | Fig.5: B | ----- | G|--9--11b12r11--9---| D | -----9----| A | ------E | -----| Fig.6: e | --0------| B | --0------| G | --1------D|--2-----| A | --2-----| E | --0-----| e|------| B | ----- | G | ------D | -----14-----14~---| A|-----14-12/11-----|

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[Intro]
[Fig.1]
[Riff 1]
Growing up today,
[Riff 2]

there's many mountains you must climb
You're not the only one,
'Cause everybody's on that line

Hey mister know it all, what do you recommend?
You think you know the answers but the questions never end

Young hearts better hold on [Riff 3 w/End.1]
Beyond the innocence your youth is gone
So look in your mirror [Riff 3 w/End.2]

So look in your mirror
You got nothing to lose
Don't waste your time away
thinkin' 'bout yesterday's blues

[Riff 1]
Born outta passion [Riff 2]
to a world gone cold
You wear it on your shoulders,

Love and its emotions come knocking at your door Young hearts will be broken and time's the only cure

it's a heavy, heavy load I know

thinkin' 'bout yesterday's blues

on the karma train

Cause when tomorrow comes

Young hearts better hold on [Riff 3 w/End.1] Beyond the innocence your youth is gone

So look in your mirror [Riff 3 w/End.2]
It'll tell you the truth
Don't waste your time away

[Riff 1] [Solo]
Temptation makes us fall from grace [Fig.2]
But the angels were sinners

and the sinners saints
Forgive yourself
cause we're all the same [Fig.3]
Everybody rides

Young hearts better hold on [Riff 3 w/End.1 w/Fig.4] Beyond your innocence your youth is gone

Look in you mirror, it'll tell you the truth [Riff 3 w/End.2] Don't waste your time away

Don't waste your life away, no, no
Live today [Riff 3 w/End.1]
There's no time to lose

It's all just yesterday's news
All just yesterday's news [Riff 1]
[Fig.5]

Yesterday's news [Fig.1 (x1,5)]
Yesterday's news
Yesterday's news

[Fig.6]