

# MICHAEL PENN

## PALMS & RUNES | TAROT & TEA:

THE MICHAEL PENN COLLECTION

From the moment he emerged as a solo recording artist, Michael Penn displayed an astonishing maturity as a songwriter. Penn had honed his craft for years in his native Los Angeles—on his own and, for a brief time, as a player with the female-fronted band Doll Congress. But to the world at large he seemed to have arrived out of nowhere in 1989, an impressive artist fully formed. Discussing his debut disc in *Stereo Review*, critic Parke Puterbaugh wrote, “Michael Penn is a thinking person’s pop musician, who has seemingly digested all that’s good about music in the last 25 years and processed it through his own very perceptive filters.” His debut album *March* was released in 1989 and became a significant critical favorite, earning acclaim for its sparkling Beatlesque folk-pop and clever, Elvis Costello-like wordplay; the lead single, “No Myth,” became a surprise hit and helped launch the LP into the Top 40.



### SELLING POINTS

- First compilation of Michael Penn's greatest songs
- 20 tracks at Best Value price point!
- 8 previously unreleased tracks
- Contains 3 tracks recorded exclusively for this compilation
- Remastered from the original tapes for the first time, by Mark Wilder
- Contains tracks from all 5 of his albums
- Includes “Macy Day Parade” previously only available on the *Godzilla* Soundtrack

### MARKETING

- Michael Penn will tour through 2007 in support of both releases
- Servicing to AAA and NPR radio outlets
- National press campaign to focus on all relevant music and lifestyle publications for reviews and features
- Email blast to core fanbase

Compiled and produced by Michael Penn, *Palms and Runes, Tarot and Tea: A Michael Penn Collection* contains material garnered from the last sixteen years of Michael Penn's career—album cuts, demos and alternate takes, along with a few freshly recorded versions of older tunes. By juxtaposing tracks according to mood and content rather than just by chronology or familiarity, Penn has fashioned a compelling, impressionistic self-portrait that, collectively, feels like something entirely new. No exercise in nostalgia, *Palms and Runes* is an invitation from Penn to take a deeper look at his repertoire, to explore further, to find connections and dig for clues. This is Michael Penn in the here and now.

### TRACK LISTING

- 1 Lucky One | Version One\*
- 2 Bunker Hill | New Version\*
- 3 Out of my Hands
- 4 Cupid's Got A Brand New Gun | New Version\*
- 5 Coal
- 6 Try | Alternate version
- 7 No Myth
- 8 Barely A Sound | Instrumental\*
- 9 Don't Let Me Go
- 10 All That That Implies
- 11 Whole Truth
- 12 Brave New World
- 13 Me Around | Demo
- 14 Long Way Down (Look What The Cat Drug In) | New Version\*
- 15 Macy Day Parade
- 16 Figment
- 17 Bucket Brigade
- 18 I Can Tell
- 19 Walter Reed
- 20 Opening (from the film, “Melvin Goes To Dinner”)\*

\*previously unreleased

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