

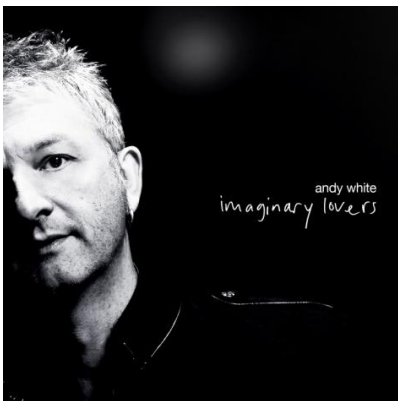
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## PRESS RELEASE

# ANDY WHITE

## NEW ALBUM • IMAGINARY LOVERS November 4, 2016

*"From rage to sage, it ain't too late to discover one of our best kept secrets" - MOJO*



Belfast singer-songwriter Andy White's twelfth studio album **Imaginary Lovers** is due for release on November 4<sup>th</sup>. Part of a twelve album box set retrospective **Studio Albums 1986–2016** to be released by Floating World Records on October 14<sup>th</sup> (the 30th anniversary of debut album *Rave On Andy White*), *Imaginary Lovers* will also be available on its own, through Andy's independent label ALT Recordings.

*Imaginary Lovers* is, literally and thematically, the follow-up to *How Things Are*. Originally planned as a double, with Part 1 the break-up and Part 2 what happened

next, Andy decided that the first half—*How Things Are*—was a stand-alone statement. He needed time and experience to finish writing the second half:

"Looking out of half-open hotel windows and talking in the dark. Walking with a red guitar case, hemispherically-challenged, I was pulled close and pushed away at home and abroad, and came out of the whole turbulent, exciting mess with twelve songs demanding to be finished and recorded."

It's rough and live, less polished and more carefree than its predecessor, which was greeted on release in 2014 as a career highlight. There are many links between the two albums—they feature the same musicians and were recorded in Andy's studio The Growlery—but its edgier attitude and alternately quieter and crazier moments suit Andy's peripatetic adventures perfectly.

From the indie-rock invitation of opener *Half-Time For You And I* (a successor to *Street Scenes From My Heart*) and the drop-dead romance of *Every Time I Look Around*, to *Sideways No Shadow's* atmospheric, the casual intensity of *Nonchalant* and the inclusivity of *Everybody Wants Somebody*, there's an immediate, attractive and challenging quality to this album. Anywhere With You Babe and *Lonely International Guy* strip Andy's sound back to his trademark individual take on playing acoustic guitar. And *I Want You* is a reminder he grew up in Belfast listening to both punk and The Beatles.

There are tumbling lyrics and pop hooks galore on this album. Needless to say, *Imaginary Lovers* is only the latest chapter in this Irish troubadour's very individual odyssey.

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## **ANDY WHITE** **UK TOUR 2016**

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[facebook.com/ThePrinceAlbertStroud](https://www.facebook.com/ThePrinceAlbertStroud)

**Friday 18<sup>th</sup> November**  
**Chapel Arts Centre, Bath**  
[https://chapelarts.org](https://www.chapelarts.org)

**Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> November**  
**The Nags Head, Tredegar**  
[facebook.com/pages/Nags-Head-Pub](https://www.facebook.com/pages/Nags-Head-Pub)

**Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> November**  
**Kitchen Garden Cafe, Birmingham**  
[www.kitchengardencafe.co.uk](http://www.kitchengardencafe.co.uk)

**Monday 21<sup>st</sup> November**  
**The Greys, Brighton**  
[facebook.com/TheGreysPub](https://www.facebook.com/TheGreysPub)

**Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> November**  
**Half Moon, Putney, London**  
<http://halfmoon.co.uk>

**Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> November**  
**The Met, Bury**  
<http://themet.biz>

**Friday 25<sup>th</sup> November**  
**The Soundhouse, Edinburgh**  
([rose@andywhite.com](mailto:rose@andywhite.com) – for details)

**Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> November**  
**Rothsay Shinty Club, Isle of Bute**  
[facebook.com/Transclydemusic](https://www.facebook.com/Transclydemusic)

**Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> November**  
**Woodend Bowling Club, Glasgow**  
[facebook.com/Sounds-in-the-Suburbs-1408102739417528/](https://www.facebook.com/Sounds-in-the-Suburbs-1408102739417528/)

**Monday 28<sup>th</sup> November**  
**Heart Of Hawick, Scottish Borders**  
[facebook.com/stringtheoryhawick](https://www.facebook.com/stringtheoryhawick)

**Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> November**  
**The Brudenell, Leeds**  
[www.brudenellsocialclub.co.uk](http://www.brudenellsocialclub.co.uk)

**Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> December**  
**Queens Head, Belper**  
<http://queensheadbelper.weebly.com>

**Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> December**  
**Kardomah 94, Hull**  
[www.kardomah94.com](http://www.kardomah94.com)

**Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> December**  
**The Mouth Magazine Present @**  
**Cafe Independent, Scunthorpe**  
<https://themouthmagazine.com>

**Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> December**  
**Errigle Inn, Belfast**  
[www.realmusicclub.com](http://www.realmusicclub.com)

**Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> December**  
**Upstairs @ Whelans, Dublin**  
[www.whelanslive.com](http://www.whelanslive.com)