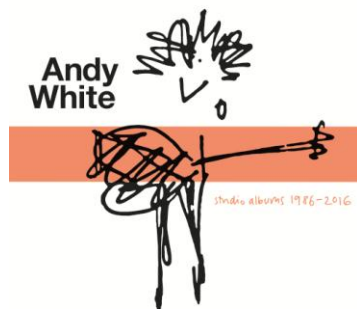


PRESS RELEASE

ANDY WHITE

RELEASES BOX SET – OCT 14th

STUDIO ALBUMS 1986–2016



On the thirtieth anniversary of his debut *Rave On*, Irish troubadour Andy White's box set **Studio Albums 1986–2016** collects together all twelve of his studio albums, including the new and unreleased *Imaginary Lovers*, recorded in Melbourne late last year (available as a stand-alone CD, November 4th).

Andy has sorted through cardboard boxes, lyrics, diaries and photo sessions to put together the 80-page box set book, whilst writing notes on the songs and the story of how the albums were recorded.

As a teenager in the Belfast portrayed in indie film *Good Vibrations*, listening to punk, folk, and Beatles albums, Andy grew up writing poetry and playing bass. He picked up the guitar when a friend threw

a 12-string out of the window of a first-floor flat in University Street, and recorded *Religious Persuasion* in a field in County Antrim with school friend Rod McVey.

Stiff Records released the *Religious Persuasion* EP during the eighties acoustic revival spearheaded by The Pogues. The *Whistle Test* and Janice Long championed Andy as he started playing shows in the UK. When Stiff bit the dust, he was signed by London Records who released *Rave On Andy White* in October 1986. Melody Maker pronounced "Yer Man's Brilliant!", Andy opened for Van Morrison on tour, and then Billy Bragg, with whom he shared legendary UK manager Peter Jenner.

American release on MCA; a return to indie with premier UK roots label Cooking Vinyl (who put out his albums through most of the nineties); being signed by Warners Ireland and winning the top Irish songwriting award; recording for WOMAD and then finding a home in boutique UK label Floating World Records, Andy has experienced the music business inside and out, and played everywhere from dive bars to the Albert Hall, while managing to retain a rare integrity and artistic vision.

Love, loss, politics, growing up in Belfast, living in London and Europe, moving to Australia, divorce and renewal. Each album is a chapter in Andy's life story and has its own musical style—rockier, folkier, more psychedelic than you'd expect—tied together by his poetry and trademark lyrical wit.

Songs from the early albums—*Reality Row*, *In A Groovy Kind Of Way*, *James Joyce's Grave* and *Street Scenes From My Heart*; to his later ones—*Italian Girls On Mopeds*, *If You Want It*, *Separation Street*, display the imagination and sheer inventiveness of a true poet. He's written with the likes of Peter Gabriel and Tim Finn, been produced by Kim Fowley and his recording mentor, John Leckie.

This November Andy is on tour with The Band Of Gold—his son Sebastian White on drums (who also designed the box set) and Kat Adés on bass—and will be joined by special guests on the road.

Andy is a singer-songwriter for our times, documenting the world and its current chaos and beauty with remarkable insight.

Rave on.

PLEASE TURN OVER FOR FULL TOUR DETAILS



ANDY WHITE & THE BAND OF GOLD **UK TOUR 2016**

Wednesday 16th November
The Prince Albert, Stroud
[facebook.com/ThePrinceAlbertStroud](https://www.facebook.com/ThePrinceAlbertStroud)

Friday 18th November
Chapel Arts Centre, Bath
<https://chapelarts.org>

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

Sunday 20th November
Kitchen Garden Cafe, Birmingham
www.kitchengardencafe.co.uk

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

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

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

Friday 25th November
The Soundhouse, Edinburgh
(rose@andywhite.com – for details)

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

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

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

Wednesday 30th November
The Brudenell, Leeds
www.brudenellsocialclub.co.uk

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

Friday 2nd December
Kardomah 94, Hull
www.kardomah94.com

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

Thursday 8th December
Errigle Inn, Belfast
www.realmusicclub.com

Thursday 29th December
Upstairs @ Whelans, Dublin
www.whelanslive.com