

HIRSH GARDNER PRESS RELEASE



HIRSH GARDNER OF NEW ENGLAND GEARS UP TO RELEASE NEW SOLO CD

Hirsh Gardner is set to release his sophomore solo effort on August 25, 2017. Entitled *My Brain Needs A Holiday*, this 10 song disc is the long awaited follow up to Gardner's acclaimed solo debut *Wasteland For Broken Hearts*. As was the case with it's predecessor, *My Brain* is full of AOR anthems and thunderous ballads.

For those of you not familiar with Hirsh Gardner by name, he first came onto the national and international radar as a founding member, drummer and vocalist with the band New England. The band's history is well documented and their status in the rock world is legendary. Highlights include 3 major label albums, a hit single in *Don't Ever Wanna Lose Ya*, tours with Kiss, AC/DC, Journey, Styx, Cheap Trick and studio work with producers Paul Stanley, Todd Rundgren and Mike Stone.

In the mid-80s, Gardner stayed quite busy as the go to producer in Boston and has been at the helm for dozens of albums including efforts from Mass, Vice, Shyboy, Willie Nile and many others. Not only has Gardner produced hundreds of acts but also co-written with many of them. In the mid 2000's Hirsh put his producer hat to the side for a year and recorded *Wasteland For Broken Hearts* and even assembled all the New England guys together to play on the track *More Than You'll Ever Know*. Today, with the New England catalog having been re-issued and interest in the band at an all time high, Hirsh continues his role with the band playing dates across the USA and Japan

"It was time for a new album," Gardner quips. "I stay so busy writing and producing other artists I need to take a holiday (that's where the album title comes from) and stay in touch with myself as an artist. After all, that's where it started; seeing The Beatles on TV and starting a band in my garage. And...the greatest joy is being able to include such great artists as Ron 'Bumblefoot' Thal, Jimmy Waldo, Jon Butcher, Joe Feloni and others on *My Brain Needs A Holiday*"!