

MICHAEL HENSLEY

FIRE BEHIND ME

Michael Hensley's music, best described as "**electronic pop**," combines heavy beats and synth-laden instrumentation with a keen sense of pop songwriting structure and melody. The end result is a distinct sound best compared to acts like **Depeche Mode, Goldfrapp, Imogen Heap, Postal Service,** and **Pet Shop Boys.**

Michael's first full-length album, "**Fire Behind Me**" (out May 2007), mines a variety of emotional territory, ranging from the exciting flirtation of "**Walk In**" to the bitter send-off track "**Never Loved Me.**" He also turns his focus inward, addressing the shock of independence on "**Can I Do This Alone**" and seeking release in the sweeping "**Take Me Away.**" And sometimes it's all about the beat, as on the thumping album opener, "**This Machine.**" The CD is available at www.michael-hensley.com.



Michael studied piano and music theory in high school before earning a Bachelor's degree in Audio Production from **Emerson College** in 2003. He has studied at the Berklee College of Music and has been writing original songs since 2001. Michael's influences include **Bjork, BT, Madonna, Fischerspooner,** and **Timbaland.** His previous work includes the 5-track EP "**Everyone Wants to Feel Something**" (released in October 2006), featuring demo versions of 4 songs later re-recorded for "Fire Behind Me." Michael lives just outside Boston, MA.

Upcoming Events

Live at Faneuil Hall - Saturday, June 2, 3:45 pm

Boston, MA (near Government Center & Haymarket)

Michael Hensley performs live outdoors for free as part of the Boston Pride Day at Faneuil Hall.

CD Release Party - Friday, June 22, 10:00 pm

Shine Lounge, 1 Kendall Square, Cambridge, MA

Celebrate the release of "Fire Behind Me" at Shine! Get in for \$5 (normal Friday cover: \$8) by adding your name to Michael's guest list at www.michael-hensley.com.

Currently booking live performances for 2007.

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Michael Hensley "Fire Behind Me"
CD available at www.michael-hensley.com
Coming to iTunes in June 2007

1. This Machine
2. Walk In
3. Take Me Away
4. Everyone Wants to Feel Something
5. Never Loved Me
6. Take a Hint
7. Chance on Me
8. Totally Gone
9. Can I Do This Alone
10. Cold (All That I Know)
11. The Wrong Truth
12. Take Me Away (Remix)

All songs written, performed, and produced by Michael Hensley Histen. Mixed and mastered by Yasuhiko Fukuoka.

Focus Tracks

1. **This Machine** - club-friendly electro
2. **Walk In** - uptempo, rhythmic pop
3. **Take Me Away** - melodic adult pop

Previous Release

"Everyone Wants to Feel Something"

Released October 2006 on CD and at iTunes



1. Everyone Wants to Feel Something
2. Take Me Away
3. Can I Do This Alone
4. Totally Gone
5. Everyone Wants to Feel Something (Extended Mix)

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