

MR BONGO

- A connoisseur's selection of lost and rare modern soul, disco gospel, boogie, jazzy AOR, and Brazilian gems.
- The follow-up to the very successful first volume.
- Special Edition Pink Vinyl version available.

Compiling the follow-up to a very successful first album is always a tricky task, but just 12 months since the release of volume one in the 'With Love' series, Miche has excelled himself once again with another **glorious, deep dive into the world of rare soul**. 15 tracks of independently released music, created by magnificent artists with stories to tell and primed for rediscovery.

The ambition to celebrate under-the-radar artists has remained, but instead of a facsimile of volume one, what we have here is a selection shaped by life changes. Volume two is for the dancers; still **soulful**, still **ultra-rare** and slept-on records from the USA, Chile, Brazil and beyond, but the dynamics of the collection have shifted slightly. It represents a move from being immersed in a week in week out environment of beautiful, soulful music in a cosy, dimly lit hi-fi bar to playing livelier, more **energetic, dancefloor-focused music** in nightclubs. This volume will get you on your feet, make you move and unleash whatever it is that makes you get down.

One of the jewels in the crown of this compilation is a joyous, anthemic gospel version of **Stevie Wonder's 'As'** by The Family Tree (a project produced by the fantastic Julius Brockington). We are also treated to a rare and sought-after Pennsylvanian funk / AOR bomb by Maxwell, a stunning modern soul tune 'High On You' by Freedom, and self-released Brazilian 45s by Banda 22 and Zé Da Lata. P.J. City's 'Straight Forward (Non-Stop)' is gospel-disco perfection, and we also have 'Dame Solamente Amor', a sublime, soul beauty from Chile by Rogers Mitchell. Many of these artists featured in this compilation aren't household names, but they deserve their moment to shine, to be heard, loved and appreciated for their artistry.

As Miche says it, *"I hope this compilation helps in some way to keep this glorious music alive and play a part in connecting generations of music lovers from the worldwide soul family. As always, it has been made 'With Love'."*

'With Love Volume 2' is available on limited edition 2 x Pink Vinyl LP, 2 x Black Vinyl LP and CD.

WITH LOVE: VOLUME 2

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MODERN SOUL
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TRACK-LISTING:

1. Billy Boomer - I Like What She's Doing
2. P.J. City - Straight Forward (Non-Stop)
3. Maxwell - Realize
4. Cecil Lyde - I'll Make It On My Own
5. Mixed Generation Enterprize - Take To The Sky
6. Mark Meadows - You And Me
7. Alice Cohen & Fun City - Save The Best 'Til Last
8. Banda 22 - A Luz Que Brilha Meu Viver
9. Zé Da Lata - Mistério Brilhante
10. Rogers Mitchell - Dame Solamente Amor
11. The Eleventh Commandment - Then I Reach Satisfaction (Vinyl Only)
12. Billy Boomer - You Can't Hide
13. Freedom - High On You
14. The Lost Family - Blow My Mind
15. The Family Tree - As
16. Rogers Mitchell - Te Amare Mas Asi (CD Only)

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