



*Birch Beer Records*

## ***Journey Home***

After three previous recordings and a long career as a singer of traditional folk songs, **Birch Beer Records** is proud to introduce you to Tom Smith's highly anticipated first studio recording of original songs, *Journey Home* – songs for today with a firm folk foundation. Tom's singing is well supported on this album by his expert guitar and banjo playing. The tasteful addition of warm acoustic instruments (guitar, upright bass, violin, banjo, mandolin, bouzouki, and clarinet), played by veteran musicians (Seth Connelly, Joyce Andersen, Eric Royer, Sean Staples, Billy Novick) and supporting vocals (Seth Connelly, Oen Kennedy, Mally Smith and Alle Santiago) provide the perfect setting for this great collection of original music. With the release of *Journey Home*, the rest of the world will enjoy songs that, until now, have touched only the lucky folks who have attended Tom's shows at some of the best New England listening rooms and festivals.

### **About Tom Smith:**

Tom Smith's songs are in turns humorous, touching, thought provoking, and inspiring. Deeply rooted in the old-school folk tradition, his timeless stories are told with a voice that is honest and sincere with melodies that you will remember forever. In the words of noted singer/songwriter Barbara Kessler, "Tom Smith will make you laugh and cry (maybe even in the same song) – a very captivating songwriter and performer."

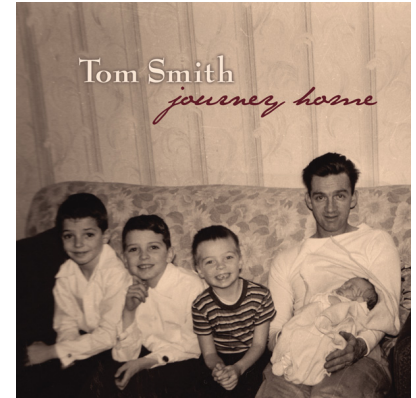
Tom grew up in rural Pennsylvania in a family where music was part of the fabric of everyday life. As a young man living at the epicenter of the folk-quake that was Cambridge, MA in the 1960's, Tom solidified what has become a life-long love of self-made music. Now a folk veteran of over thirty-five years, Tom performs at festivals, coffeehouses, schools, and concerts throughout the Northeastern United States to audiences large and small, young and old.

In Tom's popular monthly blog *The Kitchen Musician*, going strong since 2007, Tom uses his music to reflect on modern life. Find Tom's blog, and more at **TomSmithMusic.com**.

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### **Track Listing:**

1. New Hampshire Wind
2. To a Songwriter
3. Phil's Guitar
4. A Fiddle With a Broken String
5. Journey Home
6. The Jolly Glazier
7. Annie on the Stairs
8. A Folksinger's GPS
9. Swallowed by the Hole
10. Working Poor
11. Lick My Face
12. The Last Folksinger
13. Street Singer's Heaven

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