



*Ravenwood* is the new album by folksinger Michael Johnathon songwriter, host of the weekly syndicated TV and radio broadcast of the *WoodSongs Old-Time Radio Hour* and author of the *Walden* play (avail. as DVD and PBS-TV).

The 12-song acoustic album features special guests **Sam Bush, John McEuen, Rob Ickes, Guy Davis** and **JP Pennington**, plus the *Hippy Chick String Quartet* and more.

This is a folk album written for the "front porch" of the listeners imagination. Acoustic guitars, banjos and mandolins merge with string quartets and pan flutes ... and push the songs to unusual territories. It's a gentle collection with a lot of bite.

And surprises.

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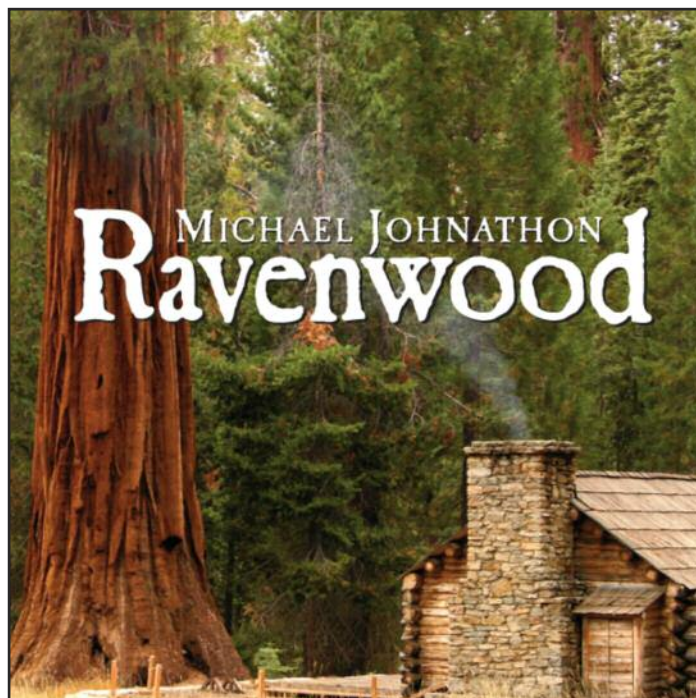


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## Ravenwood

**Album Highlights:**

**FLOWERS:**

MJ on banjo, Sam Bush on mandolin,  
Rob Ickes on dobro - with pan flutes.

**CARS:**

acoustic, old-time rock'n'roll with  
horns, a big guitar lick ... and a banjo.

**THE MONEY SONG:**

a remake of the Weavers  
"Time's Are Gettin' Hard" with bluesman Guy Davis.

**BALLAD OF BOJANGLES:**

original song featuring John McEuen  
(Nitty Gritty Dirt Band) on mandolin.

**DARLIN' COREY:**

Old-timey meets the Beatles.



Suggested Radio Formats:

**Folk/Roots/Americana/New Grass**

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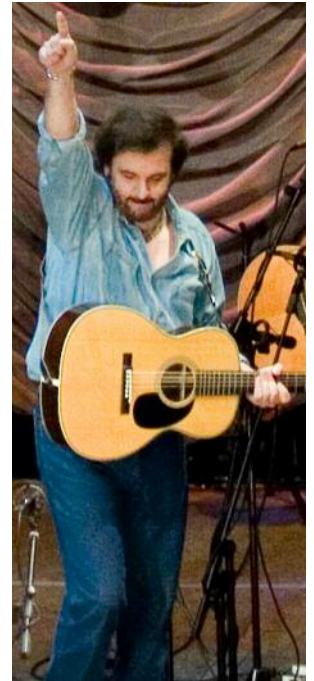


## Michael Johnathon - Folksinger

Michael Johnathon is a prolific, energetic and passionate American singer-songwriter, author, and playwright. At an early age he sought to experience the folk tradition at its purest, moving from New York to rural Mousie, Kentucky during the early 1980s to roam the Appalachians with his guitar and banjo, honing his craft performing at hundreds of schools, colleges, coffeehouses and fairs throughout the country.

### Ravenwood

His latest album is *Ravenwood*, a gentle work of guitars, banjos, mandolins and string sections. **“I wanted to create an album that would enter the “front porch” of people’s imaginations,”** says Johnathon from his farmhouse home in Kentucky. The album is a tapestry of original and traditional songs, the most aggressive being the song “Cars” and his arrangement of the classic “Darlin Corey.” Several friends help out including Sam Bush, John McEuen, Guy Davis, Rob Ickes, JP Pennington and the Hippy Chick String Quartet.

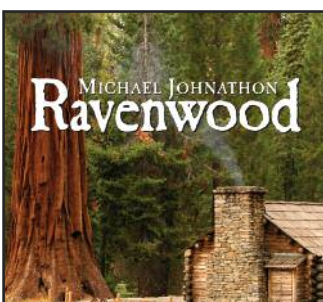


### WoodSongs

Wherever Michael is touring on a Sunday, he has to be back home in Lexington, KY for the weekly taping of the *WoodSongs Old-Time Radio Hour*. Every Monday night tour buses deliver visitors from faraway places; crowds scramble for good seats, the house is packed as stage lights dim and Michael comes onstage and introduces himself as a folksinger, songwriter and tree hugger. The show features the best of grassroots artists in all genres: from the legendary Judy Collins to Australian guitar king Tommy Emmanuel to ukelele master Jake Shimabukuro. The all-volunteer run WoodSongs show is the world's most listened to Americana music program, broadcasting on 496 radio stations including the American Forces Radio Network which sends the show into 180 countries. It can be heard on Sirius/XM Radio and has a huge internet streaming and archive audience, plus WoodSongs is also broadcast on TV in nearly 65 million TV homes nationwide on PBS stations from Los Angeles to Orlando.

### Walden: The Ballad of Threau

Aside from concerts, songwriting and producing WoodSongs ... Michael also wrote the script for the play *Walden: The Ballad of Thoreau*, performed in over 7,411 colleges, community theaters, high schools and home schools in 41 countries since its release in 2007. The Walden play was recently produced as a high-definition television production that aired nationwide on PBS stations. Walden has recently been released as a DVD & CD Gift Set. Aside from writing several books, an original motion picture screen play (*Caney Creek: The Legend of Alice Lloyd*), nine albums and the WoodSongs radio and TV series, Michael performs scores of live concerts each year.



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