



**BRAND NEW CALIFORNIA ROCK COMPILATION ALBUM
"IMPERIAL HIGHWAY"
RELEASING SEPTEMBER 12**



*First release from CandlePower Records "Bringing the Underground to the Surface"
in association with ElectraCast Records*

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Los Angeles, August 2025 -- CandlePower Records has teamed up with ElectraCast Records to release IMPERIAL HIGHWAY: A California Sampler, featuring 15 California-based rock bands. The album drops on all major music streaming platforms September 12 and is available for pre-order August 22.

This compilation features hard-rocking musicians and songwriters both new and classic delivering loud and proud California grooves.

Some of the legendary artists on IMPERIAL HIGHWAY include:

- Vinny Appice (Black Sabbath, Dio)
- Zebulon Raphael, produced by songwriter Peter Rafelson (Madonna, Stevie Nicks, Stevie Wonder, Elton John)
- Roy Z (producer and collaborator with Bruce Dickinson, Iron Maiden, Judas Priest)
- Michael Ciravolo (Beauty in Chaos, Peter Murphy, Gene Loves Jezebel, President of Schecter Guitars)
- SkumLove (Los Angeles underground legend and Schecter Guitars A&R)
- Brian Coakley (Cadillac Tramps)

Also featured are veteran and rising artists based all over California, diverse sounds including Heavy Metal, Classic Rock, Latin Groove, Ska, Indie, Alternative, Emo, Punk and Goth to complete this incredible compilation.

The album's eye-catching cover art is designed by Academy Award-winning graphic designer Dan Santoni, with a nod to Supertramp's *Breakfast in America*.

CandlePower Records was officially founded in 2020 by music and television entertainment industry professionals:

- Diego Negrete, entertainment industry veteran (40 years in music, touring, staging, primetime TV, 20-plus seasons on American Idol)
- Bill Metoyer, veteran Heavy Metal producer (Slayer, DRI, Trouble, Morbid Angel)
- Mercury Vamp, talented producer, actor, model and host

ElectraCast Media was founded by powerhouse songwriter/producer Peter Rafelson, (over 300 million songs sold) and entertainment ad exec and filmmaker Mark Netter (WB, Disney, Showtime, Universal). With help from ElectraCast, CandlePower was formed to produce The CandlePower Hour (a surviving showbusiness podcast) and move into music distribution with the goal of discovering artists with true potential.

CandlePower distributes through Virgin/Universal Music Group and VEVO, expanding exposure and success for its artists. With Rock surging in popularity worldwide, CandlePower is thrilled to bring this California compilation to music fans everywhere.

Join us on the IMPERIAL HIGHWAY.

Available for pre-order August 22 on all major platforms and for download September 12.

Sample the album tracks here: [YouTube Playlist](#)

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