

## Tower Of Song - The Songs Of Leonard Cohen (1995)

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01. *Everybody Knows* – Don Henley (6:11) [play](#)
02. *Coming Back to You* – Trisha Yearwood (3:36)
03. *Sisters of Mercy* – Sting & the Chieftens (3:20)
04. *Hallelujah* – Bono (4:57)
05. *Famous Blue Raincoat* – Tori Amos (5:38)
06. *Ain't No Cure for Love* – Aaron Neville (3:39)
07. *I'm Your Man* – Elton John (4:09) [play](#)
08. *Bird on a Wire* – Willie Nelson (4:20)
09. *Suzanne* – Peter Gabriel (5:14)
10. *Light as the Breeze* – Billy Joel (6:12)
11. *If it Be Your Will* – Jann Arden (5:27)
12. *Story of Isaac* – Suzanne Vega (4:08)
13. *Coming Back to You* – Martin Gore (3:32)

If ever an artist deserved the tribute-album treatment, it's Leonard Cohen, an intermittently fascinating songwriter but perhaps the worst singer to ever release more than one major-label album. Cohen has never written a song which couldn't be improved by someone else singing it, and it's no coincidence that he's been the subject of three tribute albums. The latest is *Tower of Song*, which turns Cohen's work over to such middle-brow pop stars as Don Henley, Billy Joel, and Suzanne Vega. The results from this new project are mixed. Melodramatic, angst-ridden vocals by Tori Amos ("*Famous Blue Raincoat*") and Peter Gabriel ("*Suzanne*") emphasize Cohen's narcissism and purple poetry. On the other hand, Elton John delivers a delightfully campy, irreverent reading of "*I'm Your Man*," and Sting joins the Chieftains for a nicely understated, Celtic-folk arrangement of "*Sisters of Mercy*." --Geoffrey Himes

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