



MITCH RYDER,
Live at Rockpalast
1979 + 2004
(WDR) Two shows

25 years apart showcase one rock pioneer who hasn't gotten his due. The separate CD and DVD releases run us through Ryder's hits and some inspired covers. The bands, driven in '79 by guitarists Joe Gutc and Richard Schein and in '04 by Robert Gillespie and Heiner Witte, are hard-charging complements to Ryder's take-no-prisoner vocals. — **JH**



GRAHAM PARKER
AND THE RU-
MOUR, *Live At*
Rockpalast, 1978

& 1980 (WDR) This double-CD and separate two-disc DVD (sharing the same repertoire of 34 songs), the incandescent pub rocker is showcased six months before his stunning debut, *Howlin' Wind*, and after his third album, *The Up Escalator*. The best (and most R&B-tinged) singer of England's new wave movement, he's backed by two fine, albeit underrated, guitarists in Martin Belmont and Brinsley Schwarz. — **DF**
