







Welcome aboard the AstroVoyager - Audio&Visual ElectroSymphonic projects Founded in 1998

After two concept albums, Temporal Gravitation2 in 2006 and Symphotronic Lunation in 2010 followed by the Lunation Tour, Philippe Fagnoni - alias AstroVoyager - is back with a new project: ElectrOpera.

This is a work in four acts, released at the rate of one per year between 2012 and 2015; Pulsations (Act 01), Modulations (Act 02), Convolutions (Act 03) and Oscillations (Act 04).

ASTROVOYAGER's imaginary universe offers timeless and fascinating melodies. Like a sound-painter, he alternates dreamlike atmospheres and chiselled, sometimes electronic rhythmic patterns, with symphonic layers. Notably, his synthesizers and electronic keyboards are now mingled with the sounds of a real orchestra: the perfect cocktail to create his own musical mark, combining richness with simplicity.



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1991 saw him team up with Harald Grosskopf on drums at the concert Stadtgarden in Cologne which brought about the release of 'Characters' with Harald Grosskopf. 'Live and Studio Tapes, 92' was his fifth release with more concerts that year. Through 93 to 94, helped out on a ten-CD set by Klaus Schulze in various sales work, book keeping etc. and his own multi media project The M.1. Rainbow Collection vol 1. which saw light of day the following year as a 8 CD set.

The 2001 released album "Un viaggio attraverso l' Italia " was launched by BSC Music label. Then became a quiet period in Bernd's life until the album 'Celestial Movements' was published in 2009 on MellowJet Records. Almost simultaneously with the launch of this album played saw more concerts, this time in Paris. In June 2010, he played in the beginning of that year, the modernized and redesigned Zeiss Planetarium Bochum. On the same day his new CD 'Beyond the Deep', which is intended as a plea for the preservation of earthly resources appeared. 2010 saw 'Let It Out' (download only) & 'Beyond The Deep', again on MellowJet Records, with two live performances at the Plan-

etarium Bochum.

The following year on that same label came 'Antimatter' and he made a brief appearance during a concert of colleague Robert Schroeder who performed at 'Schallwelle Deutscher Preis fur Elektronische Musik, celebration festivities, which later in the year was released by Robert Schroeder titled 'Bochum Live 2011 with Bernd featured on three of the tracks.

More performances by Bernd in 2012 included Antimatter Live at Planetarium of Muenster, 'Swimmingpool-Festival in Berlin and E-Live Festival, his first concert in the Netherlands for 14 years. MellowJet released an updated version of 'Let It Out!+' which was available on CD for the first time, with the 20 minute long 'Compressed Fluid' from the Antimatter Live Concert. Also came a best of album 'Patterns Of Light', a musical overview of his career in the last 25 years with the exclusive brand new track 'Autumn Leaves' and the re-release of his first official solo album 'Head Visions' on high grade 180 gram vinyl, remastered from the original tapes.

Bernd's latest release is a musical journey to find Utopia we all dream about and for the first time vocals featured on the last track by Vana Veroui. Vana was lead vocalist on the Vangelis album 'Heaven & Hell' and also performed along side him at the Albert Hall Concert.

BERND KISTENMACHER Track 'Born To Chaos'

KISTENMACHER

VANA VEROUTI

BERND

Guests on Uptopia
Drums: Burghard Rausch
Violin: Thomthom Geigenschrey
Guitar: Thorsten Quaeschning
Lead Vocals: Vana Verouti

Electronics & Percussion - Walter Christian Rothe
VSTi - Guy Drieghe D

Herwig Duchateau

Peter Heijnen

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track 'Buick 57' & 'A New Dawn' (edit)

Pillion were formed in 1978 when Walter met Guy at ELK-Music, a little non-profit company which developed and built modular synthesizers. We were interested in electronic music because it put us in the "driver's seat" of a band and we did not need other musicians. I talked a lot with Eric Feremans (founder of ELK-music) and Guy, who worked there as a designer-composer. After gigs were announced in 1980 they recorded the live Enigmas album released on 'Mastic' a hard rock record label. After the success of Enigmas, the record company put them a professional studio for a month. The outcome was the album 'Mountains Of Fear. It was never released due to the record company's building being totally destroyed by fire and taking all the Engima albums and master tapes. After that Walter & Guy parted company, but they still kept in contact with Guy wanting to develop more Avante Garde music and designing things and Walter going only as a solo artist, releasing numerous albums, films, etc.

Pillion's "Halcyon" is an album that was shelved after it was recorded in 2006, taking another two years before it was remastered.

The concept album tells a story about the changes in life one has been forced to do, if you have no choice, confirming what Pillion was all about: a way of life, a message, a vision, being yourself and "freak out "Halcyon" was actually composed for a stage play, based on the little Greek mythology story which can be read on the cd-cover.

Well, the six overall melodic tracks, made with a couple of musicians Walter was on tour with in 2006, more or less continue in the tradition of the Pillion style. I dare even say it turns the music of the "Enigmas" release fully inside out. Due to the energetic guitar

work by Peter Heijnen and the accompanying power drums and percussion by Herwig Duchateau, the outcome sounds more progressive and rock-influenced. At times, the sequencing and used sounds realm in the aura of TD's classic music.

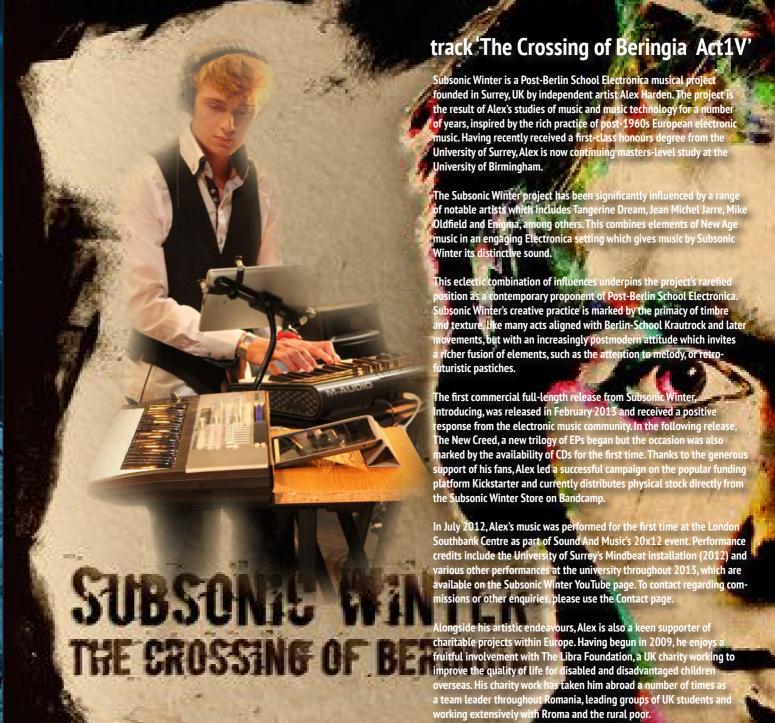
"Halcyon's" at times cinematic, music offers lots of breaks, giving the impression there was a lot of improvisation going on during the recordings. This makes the 66-minute album versatile, but also needing various spins to fully grab it.













CERD WEYNING

Track 'Forbidden Tracks' (edit)

Gerd Weyhing is a German Composer and Musician in the area of Progressive Rock, Ambient, Drone, Soundscapes and Electronic Music. he lives and works in a small quiet village in the Palatinate Forest / Germany.

From early childhood he played various instruments including Accordion, Clarinet and Organ. He picked up the Guitar at the age of 14 and stayed with it until today. Recently he started toplay with a 12string tapping guitar similar to the Chapman Stick, he also started to play thedrums.

His Inspirations include the Beatles, King Crimson, Mike Oldfield, Gentle Giant, Genesis, Magma, Hedningarna, Klaus Schulze, Steve Reich and Nik Bärtsch's Ronin. He started to compose long, complex pieces with unusual rhythms and meters at the age of 18, one of them is "Sutherland", consisting of 4 parts; the recording of it has been started in 2013.

While staying in the Scottish Highlands, he met Morris Pert who also lived there, and had a few great sessions (sadly never recorded). In the 1990s he was Guitarist, singer and writer in the Progessive Band "Brightness Falls", named after a Song of Robert Fripp and David Sylvian. The Band dissolved after a few years; its Remnants contined as "B4 Sunrise", comprising of Reinhold Krämer, Wolfgang Bechtluft and Michael Brückner etc.

Having tried to find a convincing way of making solo live music for many years, he discovered the Software Ableton Live, and since a couple of

years he is able to play Guitar with a few effects devices (loops, delays, etc.) alongside with what the software has to offer, managing the art of blending the "Guitar World" and the "Electronics World" increasingly better. With this concept he started to play live much more often, beginning in 2012, on numerous Museum Nights throughout Germany, as well as Electronic Music events like the Schallwende Grillfest in Essen and the Dinosaurier Treffen No. 3 in Bocholt in 2013.

His CD "The Hidden Symmetry", recorded live December 2011, has received a few good reviews. An English one is here: http://heizi.musicnerds.org/2012/06/gerd-weyhing-the-hidden-symmetry/

At the Moment he is compiling his new CD from live recordings of 2013. Other projects are the complete recording of "Sutherland", the Composing of new Music in the area of MinimalMusic, and a couple of collaborations.

ANTON GREVER

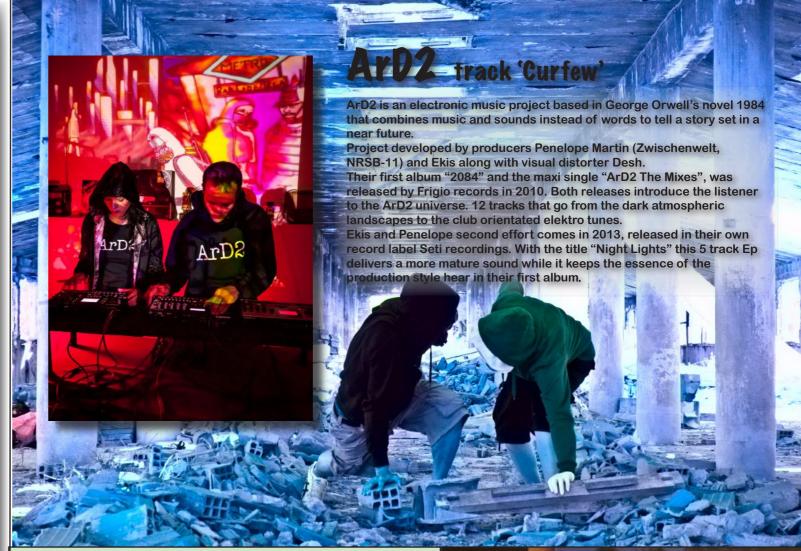
track 'Ame en Galaxie'

Author, composer, interpreter, Anton Grever passion for electronic music for ten years. In the style of Jean-Michel Jarre, Anton has already happened for the fireworks St. Suliac and the Arts Forum in Saint-Malo, where he interpreted history Galactica.

It now uses a virtual keyboard, which allows him to pre-record multiple instrument: bass, drums and effects.

During his concerts, plays and other tracks mixed synthesizer, complete with video and lasers. Supported by the municipalities of Saint-Suliac and Saint-Malo, he repeats his next show electronic universe. "This is a concert current technology oriented with IT."





STEUE ORCHARD

'In The Bleak Midwinter'

The instrumental music of Steve Orchard is highly emotional and inspired by the likes of Tomita, Mike Oldfield & Medwyn Goodall. His roots are based firmly in the folk music scene but his instrumental music is very much based in the meditative, new age, relaxing chill out music style.

Steve continues to stretch the boundaries of instrumental & lyrical composition playing acoustic & electric guitars as well as various Korg & Roland keyboards. It has been said that "Steve Orchard is different" and that what you get when you purchase a Steve Orchard album is a "unique discovery".

Steve Orchard started writing original music from the age of 16. Coming from a musical family his influences were Classical & Show tunes, he progressed through his teen's where music was his life blood & his first demo was on 'spool' for which he had an audition at the 'original' Apple Offices in St James Street London. Bands were formed & he gained some notoriety, with music partner Barry Webb at the infamous Bristol Art Centre, playing a residency there & building loyal following including recordings for the BBC Radio Friday Folk Nights.

Steve & Barry were prolific song writers sometimes writing & performing a song within a week. It was a good grounding & a basis for quality composing which continues today. In the 90's Steve took on the commercial business of performing, which included performances, at many 100's of venues across the country including the armed services.

Steve's has already gained a strong reputation in the new age market, and his debut album on AD Music in 2011 is the excellent "Riverboat", followed in 2012 by "Undersail". Current project is 'Under Sail' which will be an energising & rhythmic chillout album.

