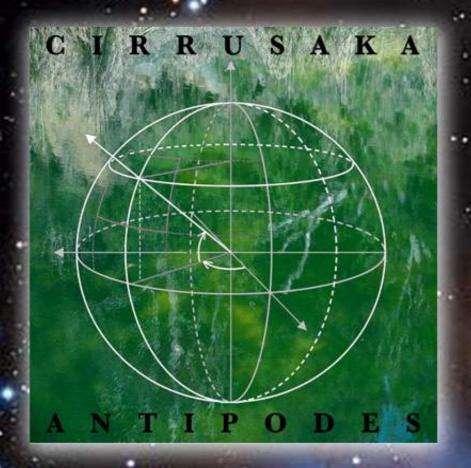




EN: With the new album Cosmoromantics moonbooter continues his well-known Cosmo-serial. Following the last two releases Zeitenwende and Still Alive the electronic musician from the Eifel applies himself to cosmic themes for the fourth time. With Cosmoromantics he has his sight especially on the history of the Russian cosmonautics. In more than 70 minutes moonbooter abducts the
audience into his own soundscapes and as usual puts well incorporated rhythmic spots in place. Overall natural sounds appear
fewer, electronic sounds dominate the event. One romantic note runs like a common thread through the complete concept album.
Thereby Cosmoromantics is kept together by classical and also modern sequences. Moonbooter masters this symbiosis more than
almost anybody else. Again, Cosmoromantics sounds fantastic, great and wide. Wellness for your ears.
Cosmoronantics is a potpourri electronic album, which uses the complete range of colours. Once loud and dominant, once cautious
and silent, but always most entertaining. And this even after the umpteenth replay

Tracks: Edge Of Sanity & Spirit Of Time





Altocirrum the inspirational name given to music produced by Sean and Clare McCarthy.

The songs evolve as a reflection of everyday experiences. Our appreciation of the environment in which we live, interests and friends inspire and influence us in many of our tracks.

After their music was played on Harbour FM (102.3 FM) in the UK on Terry Hawke's show "Hawke Chillout Sessions" to a very positive response and also on One World Radio's show in the UK "Man of Two Worlds" hosted by Neil Fellowes Geigertek, Altocirrus decided to take it further with a view to releasing an EP and album.

Sean developed an interest in electronic music through listening to music by The Art of Noise, Ashra, Klaus Schulze, The Alan Parsons Project and Afrocelt Sound System. Other musicians such as Pat Metheny and John Martyn are also big influences.

Clare is classically trained to play both piano and violin. Her influences are Vivaldi, Bach, Tchaikovsky, Led Zeppelin, Black Sabbath, Thin Lizzy, Crowded House, Merril Bainbridge and Seal.

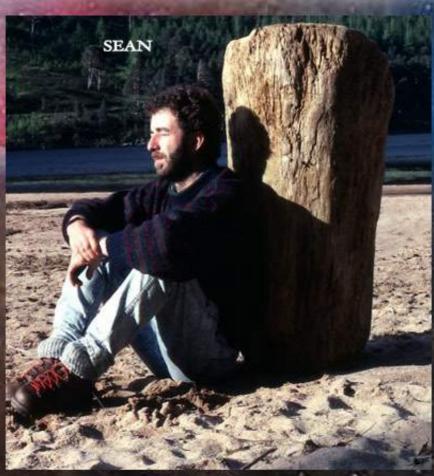
Altocirrus is attempting to build a distinctive sound to reflect their mood and experiences through music.



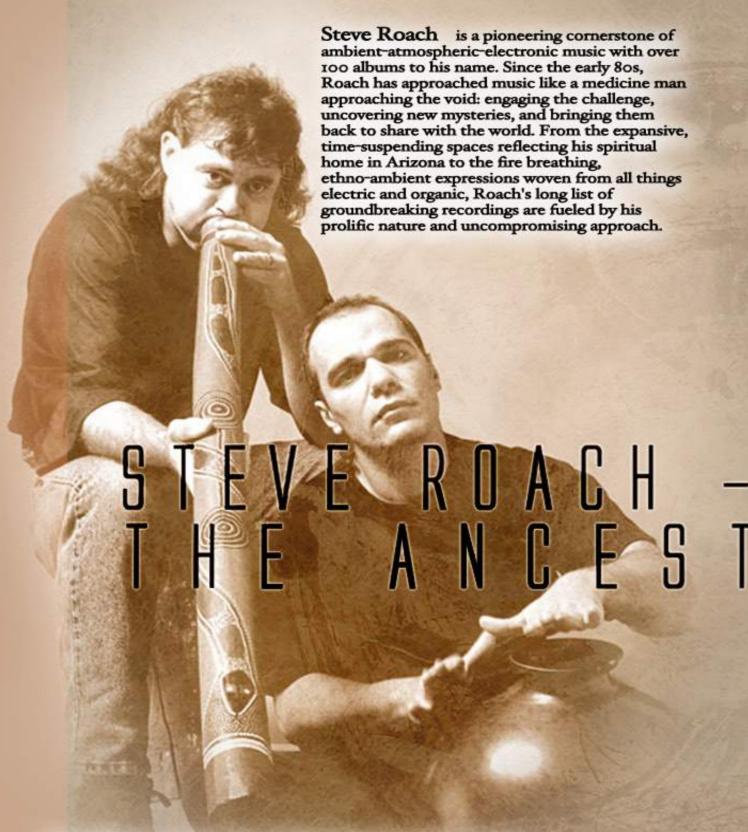
Cirrusaka is a fusion of Akaman (Ross Ackerman) and Altocirrus (Clare and Sean McCarthy)











Jorge Reyes took an ethno-musicological approach to music-making on 20 solo albums; released throughout the late 80s, 90s, and 00s these albums all has a special emphasis on indigenous and shamanic traditions from Reyes' native Mexico. After years of tirelessly performing across Europe, he met Roach in the early 90s at a festival on the Canary Island of Lanzarote. Along with the Vine - Bark & Spore collaboration with Roach, Reyes & Roach teamed with Spanish electric guitarist Suso Saiz for two mid-90s albums from their group project, Suspended Memories (Music From The Hearts of Space 1993 & 1994). Reyes passed away on February 7, 2009.

Conjuring images of a primal futurism, this alchemical blending-of-sound is a ceremonial offering to the forgotten gods. The Ancestor Circle is a new tribal-ambient-electronic collaboration, the first recording from Roach & Reyes since Vine - Bark & Spore (Timeroom 2000). This is the lost chapter of a long soulful journey that has taken twists and turns in its unfoldment. The music feels steeped in a frothy mind-altering blend, waiting for years as the potency increased. Roach & Reyes combined their instinctual nature - developed over almost a decade of worldwide live and studio adventures - leading up to the core of what became The Ancestor Circle. It is in this circle that their sound is unearthed from deep within their primordial soundworld, where prehistory meets future-tech creating a sound impossible to carbon date. Like the audio artifacts of a lost tribe, the studio source recordings that form this album's foundation were uncovered in 2013 on a cryptically-marked set of tapes. Created the week before Roach & Reyes' May 2000 concert at Tucson's Temple of Music and Art, this is their last joint studio project as Reyes passed on to The Ancestor Circle in 2009.

Roach comments, "Jorge is still very much alive here in the circle where we always met with an unspoken language of sound constantly moving through us.

## JORGE REYES ORCIRCLE

As I completed this music now, adding new elements and evolving the arrangement, I could feel Jorge's spirit listening and interacting with me in the studio, offering feedback or sometimes making his guttural sounds of agreement like he would do in the past when we were deep in the process of carving on a mix. Just as in previous magical studio and stage experiences, we are in the circle once again."

For thousands of years, music was created to assist entrance to expanded states of consciousness, support a passage of life, birth and death and invoke the gods, spirits, and allies. While the abundance of today's entertainment-music has lost this powerful inner core, on The Ancestor Circle it is fully reinstated. This is a new "medicine music" as it should be: a probing visceral experience with the power to illuminate and shroud in mystery, digging deep into zones hidden within the psyche. It offers a potent realm of renewal for those seeking an unfiltered, cathartic rinse-down of today's technological, modern world; it helps hit the reset button of perception.

Rising up from a dark shroud of night to embrace life, an ancient voice chants in serpentine ecstasy only to subside and hover next to a slow realm of eternal time drawn from electronics, percussion, prehispanic flutes, ocarinas, other acoustic instruments and silence. When the sound dissolves beyond recognition, a subconscious landscape arises, whispering of faded visions painted on stone, echoing on studio walls, of times gone by and times to come. Roach & Reyes are still here bringing us messages from the infinite.









## oblivion hymns hamnock

Nine years since their formation in Nashville, TN, the band has emerged as a leading light in instrumental music, with a unique sound that effortlessly melds elements of ambient, electronic, neoclassical, and post-rock.

Tracks: 'In the Middle Of this Nowhere'
Then The Quiet Explosion'





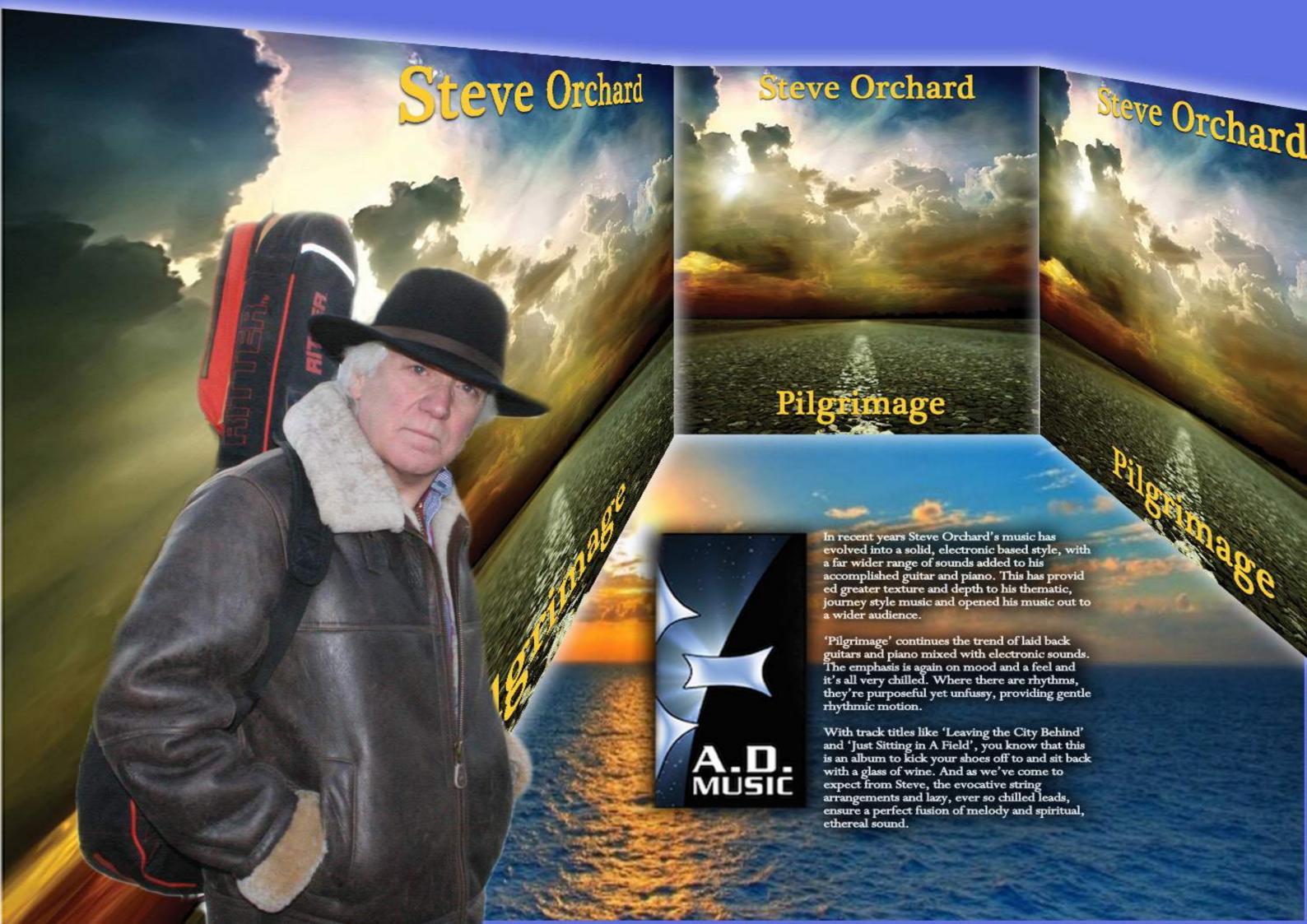


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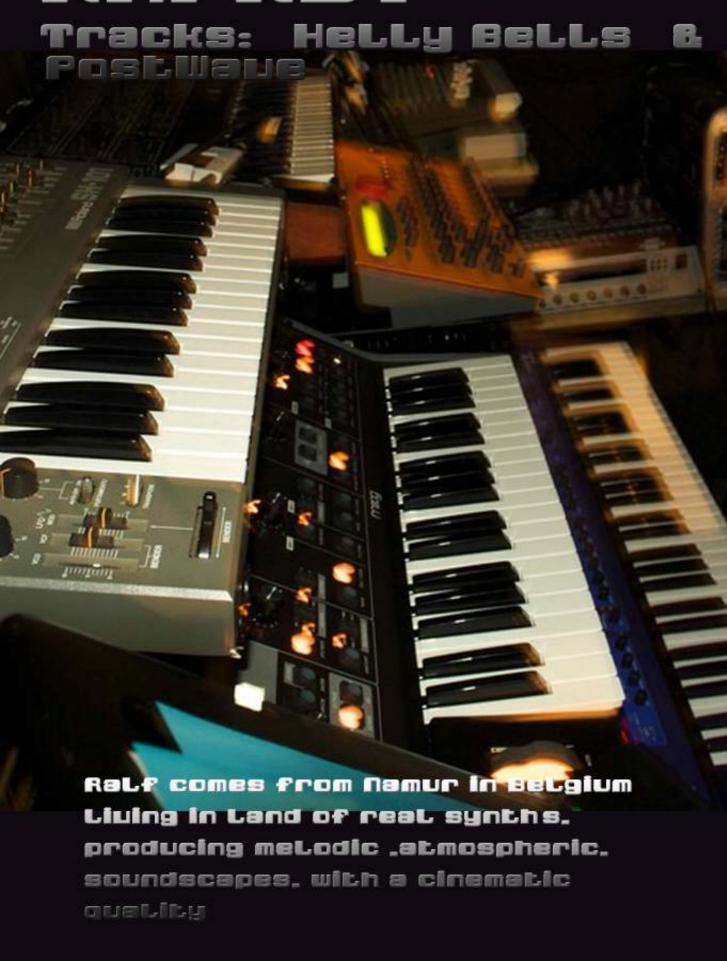








## RAFKEY



Track: Islands In The Ocean

It started at the the end of the 70's. I was wondering how the music was made from Vangelis, TD, JMJ, Tomita, Kraftwerk, Mike Oldfield, and so on. I read (mostly at that time at the back of a LP-album) about Moog modulairs, String synthesizers, EMT-eventide reverb, Binson-Echorec, Space Dimensions, ARP, Oberheim, etc, etc. It was all abacadadra for me but it impressed All the knobs, pots, gliders, flashing sequencers.

My first keyboard was a Solina electronic organ with a evening study how to play it. But after a few months I really wante more equipment and manage to get my hands on a second hand Solina String Synthesizer, a truly amazing combination of a ARP-explorer and the famous Solina string.

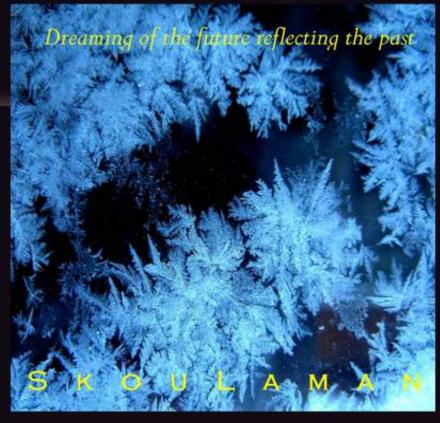
A short time after that came my first reverb unit, a Sansui. A straight forward spring reverb.

Then...came the Ibanez UE 400 multi (guitar) effect with flanger and phaser and then...the Sequentiel Circuits Pro-one, a really monofon synthesizer.

After more then 30 years a lot has changed. Now I am capable making CD's, to record digital and show it to you on my website (and Youtube). Some of my equipment is sold or refurbished. I bought new gear (mostly 2nd hand) and played together with two fellow Youtubers a Berlin school band named AKS. Even even played live at E-live in 2012, Oirschot NL (You can see some recordings from AKS and the concert on my YT-channel). The band did not last

My second album 'Dreaming Of The Future Reflecting The Pass' is under the name of Skoulaman. This album has again Berlin-School tracks but also some, more down tempo, tracks. Its a reflectioning of the past 2 years of finding my direction in em-music. Recording is done with a a lot of old instruments (some more than 30 years old) and newer equipment.





The power of a synthesizer is not to imitate but to create!!