

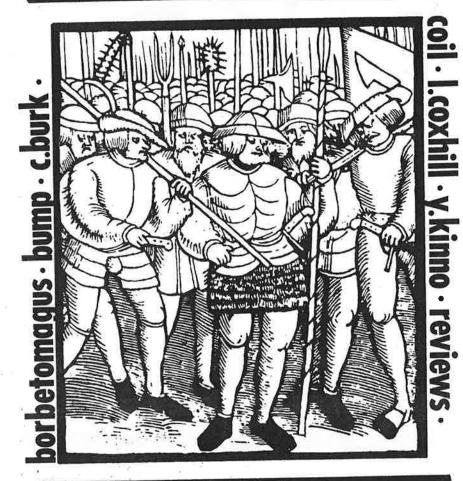
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### yoshiaki kinno: interview

ADM: How did you start to make music?

IK: My first works with the purpose of release
were recorded during the susmer of 1976.

At that time I used the following instruments: recorder (not a tape recorder but a pipe recorder), harmonica, mandolin, piano and empty bottles and cans, plus many other junks I found in my house.

The contents of these recordings are full of improvisation with a few of these instruments played together. They were mostly overdubbed once. Since then I repeated this kind of work and I started to improve my previously recorded tapes adding some new instruments like acoustic guitar, truspet and tenor sax.

I played guitar with olips and other objects on its strings or adding other strings verti= cally. I also used prepared sax and trumpet, modified and re-mixed tapes with electric ef= fecting machines.

In 1977 I started the project named "Fifth Column tapes" collaborating with my friend GESO (Kasuo Fujimoto). The first compilation tape "Meet the Fifth Column" includes 19 tracks (mostly improvised) by 29 individuals (1978).

In 1980, after partecipations in improvimation festivals, concerts and sessions, I began to play in the form or style of the so-called "Rook musio" that always interested me.

I recorded some tracks under the name of "Anode/Cathode", and these home recordings were distributed by "Pinakotheoa Records", a japanese indipendent label; Geso and Makatsu helped me during these recording sessions.

"Anode/Cathode" is in reality a fiction band. In 1981 I started a band called "Toe 9" with some of the friends of mine living in Morioka, on the other hand I continued my improvisations using electric guitar and saxophones (I call them "mon ideomatic" improvisations, on the subject please read Derek Bailey's book). The same year I also played with Greg Goodman, pianist and organiser of Beak Dootor Records (USA), during his concert in Sendai (J).

During the winter of 1982 I made a concert in my home-town, Morioka, with Evan Parker, saxophonist and organiser of Incus Records (UK).

In the summer I released, in collaboration with "Pinakotheca Records", "Fifth Column" and "Deku Studio" an international compilation including my



solo track, Ice9, Ptôse Production, Steve Beresford and David Toop plus other groups and individuals coming from Japanese susic scene. The resulting L.P. was named "Infecund infection" by Gesc. At the end of 1982 "Fifth Column tapes" had already produced about 30 original tapes; about a third of them were recorded and produced by myself, a third by Gesc and the rest by other groups.

These tapes are not for sale, if someone wants to listen to some of them he has to contact us directly. I will send the list of our tapes to people interested in our actimity and if they want to have our stuff they have to send me only a blank tape and stamps for postage.

My great interest in music derives from a radio that my parents gave me as I was 13 years old; now I am 26 and since then I've interested myself in ethnic music and in the work of some composers of the 20th century as well as in Rock music.

LAPMS, Incus, ICP, PMP, Bead, Metalanguage and many other non ideomatic improvisors gave me the chance of beginning to play.

ADM: What do you think about electronic music and its new developments?

IK: My comprehension of the term "electronic music" may be different from yours (I don't care very much about my musical works being thinked as "electronic" or "not-electronic").

Actually most of the people involved in music nowadays are favoured by electronic technology which is essential to compose, play, operate on the instruments or use the media.

I can't expect a hopeful future for electronio music; I won't exaggerate if I say that there is a situation of control and limitation organised by enterprises on the use and choice of musical instruments and media.

The only thing we can do is a "limited choice", so we have to change radically the concept of making music. A man performing music with electronic instruments is like a prisoner within a limited range of possibility. We have to escape from this prison which we accept subliminally (there are rebels who are not always conscious of this situation such as Genesis P-Orridge who has a formidable weapon in his voice. I like also Fred



Frith and Rook in opposition activities).

We have to reconsider instruments and media understanding that we created an axiom we use doubtlessly. Electronic music is only a sand castle if we are not able to let our own metodology pass through. We can't speak about its future forgetting this point.

ADN: Which musicians do you prefer?

IK: Some rook groups in Germany gave me quite
a new impression. expecially the groups con-

a new impression, expecially the groups concerned with Conny Plank. I was excited by Can and Faust too, so I've been very much interested in German music scene since now.

I often listened also various rook groups, free jass musicians, modern composers (emspecially of contemporary music) and ethnic music of many countries (expecially primitive music from Africa, South America and Asia).

But it's the so-called "free improvised music" that gave me the chance to perform.

I was expecially moved by Jean Dubuffet's "Omnibus" IP released by Finnadar Records.

He has done a large quantity of improvised recordings, playing many instruments alone and using a lot of overdubbing. I may say that he is my former (and respected) teacher. I also like very much his drawings and paintings.

ADM: What about the situation of alternative music in Japan?

IK: It's a difficult question. I think that in Japan there is an overproduction of susio caused by the growing of the sound equipment industry. We have a lot of commercial susical products and few susicians are conscious of the problems that they are faced in their deep inside. Since several years there are some inserial approach to susic; I don't say that commercial susic has always to be bad, but I can't stand owerflown susic and I don't like to listen to it (but the concept of "commercial susio" is strictly personal).

I think music has to be a food for my spirit and thought and a method to describe or to understand the inside and the outside of myself.

<u>ADM</u>: Do you consider yourself as an alternative musician?

IK: No, I don't. I try always to see the things from an alternative point of view. It's very difficult to conduce an alternative existence.



We should not be devoted to our own desires because normally they are created and controlled by a society and a system. Only knowing how I'm controlled by society and getting rid from my desires I could be an alternative performer.

ADM: What do you think about Mersbow, Nord, Juke 19, Haino?

IK: Morebow already appeared in concert under the auspices of 5th Column. I listened to their performances a few times, but in reality I can't catch their aim. Surely I appreciate their unique and indipendent music form.

Concerning Nord, I have only listened to their L.P. released by Pinakoteka Records and I think that they seem to drown in their methodology. I was in a group that supported Keiji Haino's unit at the end of 1979 and listened to some tapes of his performances. During a performance he said "It's lacking in a prayer as a music now" showing that he seems to fall into a sharmanic trance while playing. I think all this is interesting but anyhow I fear that it is also his limit.

"19" is an interesting group organized by Shinso Ohtake. He seems to have a rare view of making music in Japan. I think that this ensemble has a great "flexibility" in musical construction beyond randomness and traditional construction.

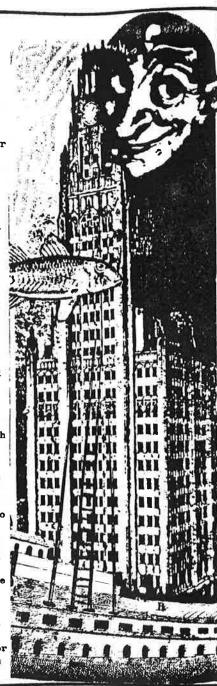
ADM: Do you often play live?

IK: I do live concerts once or twice every month and play about every two months with "5th Co-lumn". I play solo, collective improvisations by temporary groups, with Ice 9 or as a duc expecially with Sciichi Nakatsubo. I don't like to propose visual aspects in my performances, in fact I have no money and no time to spend to prepare visual effects. I think it's more important for the audience to know how the sound is made than to be attracted by some visual effects. I dislike the so called "light shows". I prefer to establish a direct contact with the public.

ADM: Is Ice 9 an open group?

TK: May be, but there are some regular members.

Toshiaki Tosawa, who is one of the musical leaders of the group and the most important for its music, he plays guitar, bass and sometimes he sings; Maki Jisaka is a female bass player,



she sometimes plays keyboards and sings, she also plays with the Pookets (more pop joyful band), sometimes I also play with this group; Teiichi Nakatsubo, a keyboards player who already made 3 solo tapes for 5th Column, his idle is Astor Piazzola.

These three and I are the original members of Ice 9. We use to play with tapes where we record rhythm tracks and sound effects.

Other Ice 9 partecipants are Minoru Nakamura, a high technical electric bass player, and Osamu Itch, a drummer also member of Monomagnon, a new band organized by Togawa and me; we sometimes play with Junico, a female saxophonist, and Geso's (Kazuo Fujimoto) tapes.

Concerning musical concept it's nearer to "flexible" than to "opened" music.

ADN: What do you think of traditional Japanese music?

YK: I've never been interested in pure traditional Japanese music, except the one of the 20th century: I have a rather negative opinion about it. That seems to be contrary to my interest for ethnic music, but it was my repulsion for Japanese traditional music or. may I say, for the traditional system of Japanese music that pushed me to start to perform truly: I have a slight interest in: 1)"Tsugaru Jongara Jamisen", originated by plays of wanderers from the Aomori prefecture, 2)"Folk music of the Locohoo", the Locohoo islands are located at the southern end of Japan and their music is a lot different from the music of the other Japanese districts. 3)"Gagaku", court music of Japan influenced by Chinese and Korean music. 4) a lot of theatrical and musical works by Japanese traditional wanderers that origin the true Japa nese traditional music without any authority or local oustoms but very vital.

Unfortunately this music is going to vanish now.

ADN: How big is the audience at your concerts?

IK: It depends, at the concerts of Ice 9 or when
I collaborated with Evan Parker we had audiences
of about 100 people. Sometimes there are about
only 10 people.

ADN: Would you like to perform outside Japan?

IK: Yes, I would like; but I don't feel like living a long time abroad. I would like to stay away from Japan for two years max., but maybe I would change my opinion after having been in



Europe. I have an one sided point of view about this continent, so I should go there, but at the present time I have no means to do it.

ADN: What kind of reactions did you obtain from your audience?

IK: One sided understanding, misunderstanding, momentary sympathy, insensible handolapping and so on. This all depends on my idea about convoerts, on the defects of my methods of performance or on my superficial ideas.

ADM: Did you ever appear on TV?

YK: No, but my works and Ice 9's ones were broad casted by radio stations in Paris and Vancouven There are three videos of Ice 9 performances (81-82).

ADM: What about electronic music in Japan? TKs There is a big deal of electronic music in Japan, it depends on the fact that there are a lot of sound equipments around and that the makers of electronic instruments are highly competitive each other. The use of these instruments has become easier though their mechanisms have become more complex. Anyone can make easi= ly something like electronic music. If you add to this the fact that a lot of people are not satisfied by the traditional style of music you have the background of today's Japanese music scene. There is a great lack of communication between performers and audience, this means a growing isolation of the musicians. All this is a reflection of an increasing individual isolation in our society and I think that a solution for this problem could be a more homo genous individual life. I fear my analysis is one-sided, but considering music as a reflection of a social situation some new music in Japan is the consequence of a growing crisis. I know this could be applied to every country of modern western oulture, but Japan is a little different music has become the expression of a sense of orisis.

ADS: What do you think about punk music?

IK: I feel the excess of speed and semplicity in music and words. It represents a sense of orisis

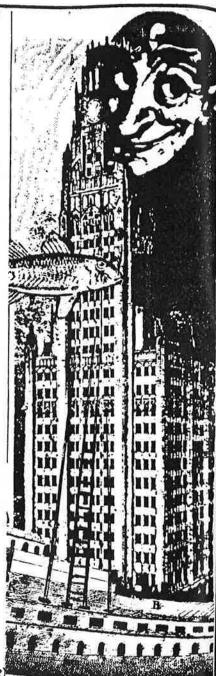
music and words. It represents a sense of crisis too. Punk was beautiful before becoming commercial, now punk is only a style of performance.

I was more shoked by "No New York" than by "Never mind the bollooks".

ADM: Would you like to have success?

IK: If you mean a commercial one my answer is no.

I would like to be a strategist of music (art?)



but I'm not so confident. I had to know much more things and thoughts. There are too many obstacles to express that, so I have to speak "pre-thought" or "proto-thought" or using "intuition"; intuition is very important but dangerous.

ADN: Do you have many contacts abroad?

K: Yes, I try "distant sessions" with Ralf
Wehowsky of P16D4, Wolfgang Wiggers and his
friends Pt8se and with some Japanese friend.

The method of distant sessions works in this way: a musician records a basic track and sends it to another musician who completes the work. Collaboration of this type are in act between Pinakotheca Records and Los Angeles Free Music Society; some basic tracks were released by John Duncan "Music for finish" (tape distributed by Pinakotheca) or by Duncan and Chris and Cosey (17 cm. LP named National Anthem). Such work system was used maybe also for "Kew/Rhone" by Greaves and Blegvad and "Plateau of mirrors" by Eno and Budd.

I will release a tape including all the pieces done with the distant session method soon.

Vita Nova (Grenoble, France) has made an international compilation including two Ice 9 pieces; Stichting Stop Contact's compilation LP named "Contact Disc 1" included a duo (Nakatsubo + Omnyk); you can listen to our works also on "AG 2", "Xmas tapes", "18 Boule's" and "AG 3" from Ptose Production.

If you send a blank cassette I will send you back a performance with Evan Parker or with Greg Goodman and some unreleased performances with various musicians.

Other contacts are with Steve Beresford in London, Peter Kamisky in West Germany and Alain Demeure of "Gazi Gazi"; I have also contacts with CLEM and Irene Omelianenko of Radio France.

1DN: Could you tell us about your music and composition method?

IK: My compositional work is very simple. It's composed by two elements, a "ripetitive" one and a "non ripetitive" one, in other words by "desoribable elements" and "non desoribable elements"; but it's not only a combination of refrains and improvisations. Normally I chose a sound phrase that can be continued or forgotten in the moment I play (Misha Mengelberg, the pianist of I.C.P. says it in the book about improvisation



music written by Derek Bailey); I always think how I can have a spatial and time balance ber tween these two elements in the performing stream or in my projects of serial performances.

I would be unable to describe a performance in a simple way; all my works or performances could be described as "improvised", because I never make a sound using a score.

As I record the final work I set only a minimum limit and I only show a rough outline or the atmosphere that I want to obtain to my co-performers.

This is the way I used from the start and I consider it as the strongest and at the meantime the weakest point of my music. I chose the sounds that I want intuitively. After that I memorise the sound I need very well.

My collaborators give me many new ideas by playing freely and the most freely they play the most abundant my works become.

I look at the tape as to a paper to be printed with my music. Distant session permit me to develope my concept with people living far away. I wish distant session to change my works radically and essentially (in this meaning I liked very much RIf's work).

ADM: Which are your favourite musicians?

YK: A lot. I could mention among my favourites
all the musicians that created a shock or an
impact on me. That doesn't mean that I like all
their works. But you can guess most of my far
yourite musicians listening to my works, so I
won't tell it.

ADN: Do you have a lot of mail contacts?

IK: Tes, I receive one or two letters every week

from unknown groups and individuals living in
and out of Japan. In that sense I would like to
be a knot of connection.

IN: What do you think about Ptôse Production?

IK: I would like to release continuously a kind of international compilation records or tapes including various styles of music. We already did it with "Infecund infection". So I respect the activity of P.P.P.; I would like to collaborate with much more improvisers having their own styles. I would also like to constitute a group of improvisers in my town recalling a flexible ensemble like "Company" of Derek Bailey.

Fifth Column is now pushing on a plan called "Lucky Bay" which will be a compilation of susic



pictures, descriptions, objects, etc... that gives to every partecipant the possibility to use his own "methodology". We gathered 50 partecipants from Japan and other counties. I'm sure it will be a great work. Performance is only one side of my life, but surely the most important.

ADN: Does your music carry any message to the perople?

IK: I don't know. I have no special message in my music. With my music I only express one of the possible forms, so there isn't in it an absolute value. And maybe that is my real message to the people. In fact in our lives we have the permission to do anything, but we know that noone has a real assurance to think and to act in the right way. If you don't think that way you have to do something improvisated to show your rightness; so you may be able to understand that your Ego is only a complex of relativity and that "We can choose what we want to do. But we could not choose the options themselves. Tes, options were given by someone who is in relation with you."





### COIL INTERVIEW.

ADM: Which are the main purposes of COIL?

C: We want to inform and provoke. We want to show an alternative to the "alternative". Obviously the answer is very complex and will evolve as the group does.

Throbbing Gristle and Psychic TV developed a philosophy with an urge to change inform and inspire at the core of it.

We continue in this line. We were part of it and are still part of the tradition that change and information are vitally important. The truth of human nature must be revealed and the subconscious uncovered and controlled. In every way possible we wish to free the human spirit. Through noise, inspiration and repetition. As we wrote in PTV: "We wish to give people back to themselves." This might seem presumptuous and pompous.

Maybe it is; but the fact is, the majority of people are not their own. Guilt, fear and an inherited laziness cause us, as a breed, to perpetually fall far short of our capabilities.

We are taught servility and told it is a gift. A grace. COIL, with others, fight CONTROL. Insidious conditioning designed by social climates to keep a check on deviency.

Musically, we have ideas. We want to keep things interesting for ourselves and use new and developing methods and instruments to do this with. Our philosophical ideas are carried by/in the music.

ADN: Would you like to reach the commercial and charismatic success of T.G.?

C: Well, T.C. were never well off. They were comfortable and were able to channel money into the next project. As for the charismatic success. All I want for COIL is to reach as many people as possible. T.G. have become symbolic of many things, and I would rather be remembered for the content of our material and the philosophy that be seen as typifying a certain movement. Be it New Industrial or whatever. I am personally very against setting oneself up as a popstar, even if it's a deliberate ANTI popstar status. But you have to play the games in order to reach a public, so that public knows you exsist and that you are doing something of interest. So we won't go out of our way to be obscure, or hard to approach.

ADN: Does your music have premeditated structures?

C: Yes, in some cases. We always have an idea first, usually a very detailed, complex and precise one. Because I am intemested in Cabbalah and magick I always attempt to "embed" something of that nature into the structure. And on certain remordings such as our 12" single "How to destroy angels" these magical elements will take over and dictate the shape and the form of the whole piece. Cther times we start with a rhythm and build onto that. Others it is enterely spontaneous and abstract.

ADN: About your experiences with the Belgium label LAYLAH?

C: They released our 12" ritual music recording. I don't know what to say really. Marc Hersig is the person behind it

all and he is a very nice guy. He has released material by Current 93, Nurse With Wound, Laibach, Sema, and us.



There is a compilation LP due in January which will feature all those people. Our track is called Sicktone and is like nothing else we have done... at all; we will probably be releasing a mini LP through them in the spring. Laylah was LEAN, Aleister Crowley's perfect Scarlet Woman. "Leah Sublime" was a room he wrote about her. I nucte...

"Churn on me Leah
Twist on your thighs
Smear dierrhoea
Into my eyes.
Sputter out shit
From the bottomless pit."
A rather tasteful little poem...

ADN: And with Psychio TV?

C: While we were in PTV it was excellent. We had just started to move and to get somewhere when thing went wrong. I am not going into details. I stand by what we did as the intentions, on our parts anyway, were pure. Obviously we don't agree with what they are doing now or else we would still be involved.

We believe that the organisation has taken over from the in dividual. Can I just say that we were not thrown out as PTV claim but that we left in January 84 of our own accord.

ADN: Tell us something about new UK groups and the new English musical scene...

C: We were talking about this the other day. And I really have not heard anything of them. I saw Portion Control live a long time ago. And I can't remember a thing so it must have made a big impression on me. I like one single by the New Blockaders, and that's all I've heard of them. I do not like the "Wild Planet" ghetto that these groups get put in by Sounds etc.

We were on an LP called The Elephant Table Album that was subtitled "...an LP of difficult music..." which I have never forgiven them for. Very few of them stand out as far as I'm concerned, and I think that we do. New groups that I like a lot are The Very Things, The Swans, Sonic Youth. Two of those are from America... I still listen to things like Velvet Underground and I find all the inspiration, information and violence that I could ever need really. I can't listen to T.G. or any of the fist wave of such groups because I became involved in at all, and that gives you a totally different perspective on the phenomena. We tend to always be locking forward and not at old forms... redundant institutions etc. Forever forward. With only a nod back to the past to see if anything can be improved on.

"Those that to not remember the past...etc."

ADN: What do you think about "industrial groups" playing commercial stuff now?

C: It all depends on their intentions and whether their message has changed. I think that SPK have substituted what was often a very interesting theory in practise for something of very little worth at all. Actually I don't think that they are stupid, and I have heard that the money they get is going into some quite worth while projects, so perhaps there is a justification there for what they are doing. Sometimes I don't think any justification is new



eded really, if the group is able to produce something moving and inspiration all in itself. I haven't heard that much again really.

I know that in PTV's case for "Dreams less sweet" and the first "commercial" LP, we wanted to mix a message with a sweeter ocating Always do the least expected action. Confusion as a cover.

People are still discovering the meaning and the intentions behind the material there. It was a change of tactics, another camouflage. COH has gone on further and changed in another way all together. More confusion. I am a great believer in the redeeming powers of chaos and confusion. While people are left wonedering, you remain free to walk clear and on to the next project.

Out of Chaos comes everything. A mass of potential and oreative energy. Unfortunately most groups don't understand this or have nothing to say in the first place.

ADN: How do you think music will evolve in the future?

C: I think a lot of things. There will be revivals as always. But that is not a development. I think that multimedia events will take the fore. Even things in the sixties seemed to have far more flair and imagination than 9% of the stuff today. Take The Plastic Exploding Inevitable for instance. I have never heard of anything that has matched the primitive, primal hand to hand experience of the combination of the music and that concept.

Video perhaps might be the answer, but only as incorporated into something. PTV are working in this area, but I think anything except very scientific research in this area is very hit and miss.

But as GPO recently pointed out no research has ever been done into what TV really does to you mentally. I think that all areas should be approached and utised. TV video film lights, sound a lot. And it will probably stay a hit and miss affair for quite a while. At least COIL and PTV are being attacking and dynamic in their approach to it all. It needs such a shakeup.

ADN: What are your extra musical activities?

C: We do videos, as stated, we are writing things and will be releasing records on our label by other people as well.

The label is called FORCE AND FORM.

I am writing a book on male prostitution at the moment, with Maro Almond of Soft Tell inflamy. Research, not fiction. It's an area that brings out amotions and hypocrasy in people. A raw nerve...

ADN: Where does your musical inspiration come from?

2: Ideas really, and the way our minds work. If we are influen-

oed by groups it is usually because we want to get as far away from what they represent and sound like as possible. As I said we have very few musical beroes. Sonic Youth have a phrase...

"Kill your idols..." You have to out yourself off from these things and act on instinct. A pure instinct will reveal a truer path than sitting listening to any group. And if you find that there is nothing inside yourself you feel you want to bring out then it's just as well you don't try. It is really an idea, a stimulus of that sort that inspires me. Dall, Matta, and theories do more. There are exceptions like the groups I mentioned before,



Velvet Underground, The Swans, Sonio Youth etc...

I like to get myself inspiration from dreams and deliriums, I have a mind that is very psychoactive. I hallucinate as a matter of every day life. I don't need drugs. And on the occasions that I have taken them I was struck by the over whealming feeling that I didn't need them and they opened no doors I hadn't already been through on my own accord. All the influences we have cited in the past still stand. Just because we have left PTV it doesn't mean that our interests have changed. Just the emphasis and the methods to a lesser extent.

I think that we react against things a lot and that provides the spur, the catalyst and the momentum to create and continue to create.

I listen to things that I'm given, expecially where it's the work of a friend. There are many groups that I admire and respect and think are important, but I just don't listen to. I like to be uncluttered. Whitehouse and Murse With Wound and Current 93 and You've Got Foetus On Your Breathe are all important in their various way, but I don't listen to them for entertainment. I do like Marc Almond's meterial and Soott Walker and some ethnic material, esp. Tibetan ritual stuff, which is a never ended source of wonder to me.

ADN: Who is your favourite writer?

C: Sleazy likes science fiction stuff, especially a book called "The Tides of Lust" by Samuel R. Delaney. I like Dall (his written work is incredibily lively and reveals his genius far more than his pictures) and "Maldoror" by Isadore Ducasse. I read a lot of surrealist texts and novels and I only wish that far more were available in English. I will have to learn French and Spanish next year, I think. Burroughs, especially the theoretical stuff, is another great genius. I like Genet, Austin Spare, Crowley, Lovecraft, Machen, Clarke Ashton-Smith too, all the occult gothic writers.

I read a lot of non fiction. Everything I come across really.

ADN: Do you follow any particular philosophy?

C: A difficult question to answer, because I think that PTV went on about their philosophy at great lengths and it invites criticism and misrepresentation.

I think that people are aware of the way we do things and approach life. We believe in individual. In dreams and the power of action.

Against sleep and passivity. In the power of the orgasm as the key to liberation of the spirit. In that "The Price of Existence is Eternal Warfare".

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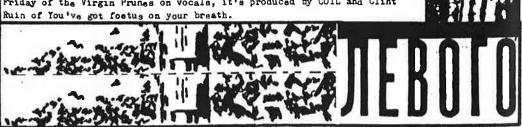
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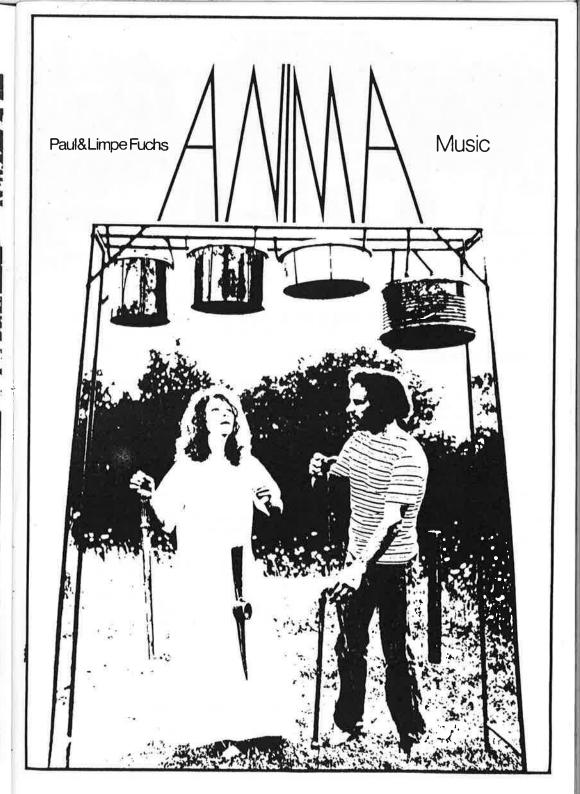
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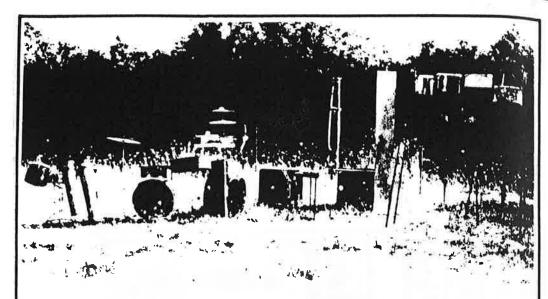
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### Biography

Paul Fuchs: Born - 1936 Munich, Germany Background - Smith apprenticeship (art-work), Diploma in sculpture, 1964, Munich Fine Arts Academy Professor H. Kirchner - Design and production of architectural ornaments - Exhibitions: Painting, sculpture furniture - 1967 Development of "Fuchs musical instruments -1969 working together with Limpe Fuchs Literature: Workreview in "Kunst am Bau"

Limpe Fuchs:
Born - 1941 Munich, Germany
Background - "Abitur" - Study
at the Music Academy - drums,
piano, violin, voice - state
exam for music pedagogue
1966 member of (Munich) Pop
group - 1969 working together
with Paul Fuchs

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- Development of the optical means of expression which are integrated into the expression of sound.
- 1969 Beginning of public concerts, happenings, actions, performances, and films (experimental and for television)
  - working together with theater groups and musicians from Jazz, Pop and New Music.
  - Workshops at various universities and academies, and music therapy programs for children's homes.
  - Concerts at a large number of Jazz-, Pop- and New Music festivals
  - Three albums and further recordings with A. Mangelsdorff, F. Gulda, Mounir Bachir, Barre Philipps and others.
- 1971 = European Tour 6 months through Europe with travelling stage and tractor. Television coverage by Südwestfunk Baden-Baden, 45 min. colour.
- 1972 30 concerts during the Salzburger Music Festival in Bürgerspitalhof with F. Gulda. Television coverage by Südwestfunk Baden-Baden, 45 min. colour.
- 1973 Berlin Music Festival. 14 days of concerts with the final concert at the Berlin Philharmonie.
- 1974 10 days tour of Salzburger Land (Austria) with the following musicians: Mounir Bachir (Irak) Ud-Lute; Albert Mangelsdorff Trombone; Barre Philipps (U.S.A.) hass; Lewzec Zadlo (Poland) saxophone; Friedrich Gulda (Austria) piano.
- 1975 Large open air performance for the exhibition of Heinrich Kirchner's monumental sculpture in Erlangen.
- 1976 Solo concert from Limpe Fuchs and duet with Hannibal Marvin Peterson and Don Cherry.
- 1978 Solo concert from Paul Fuchs Salzburg, Performances in Autunno Musicale die Como and Giorni di Musica Nuova milan (Italy).
- 1979 Elembachgalerie Munich: Performance. Design and making of a large number of musical and movement instruments for therapy in a Bavarian clinic.
- 1980-81 Our tentative plans call for a prolonged tour through N.America from Woodstock "Creative Music" to West Washington University.

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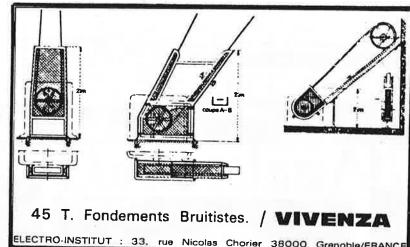
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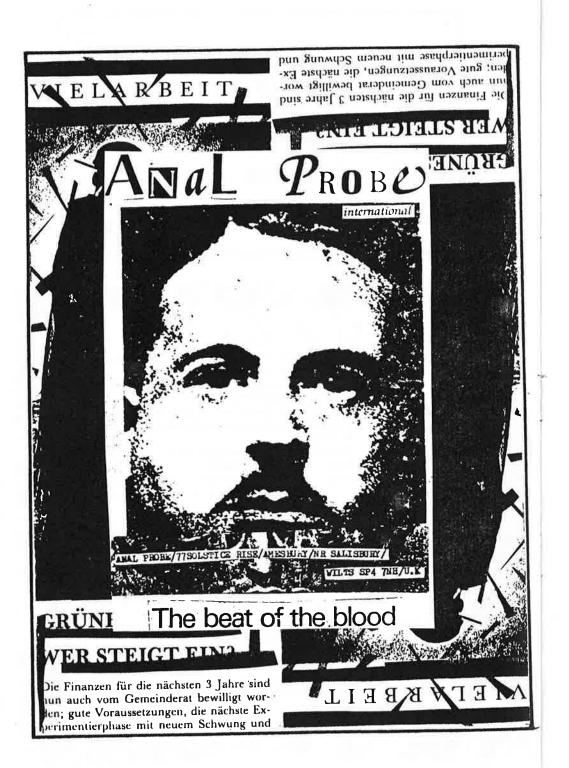
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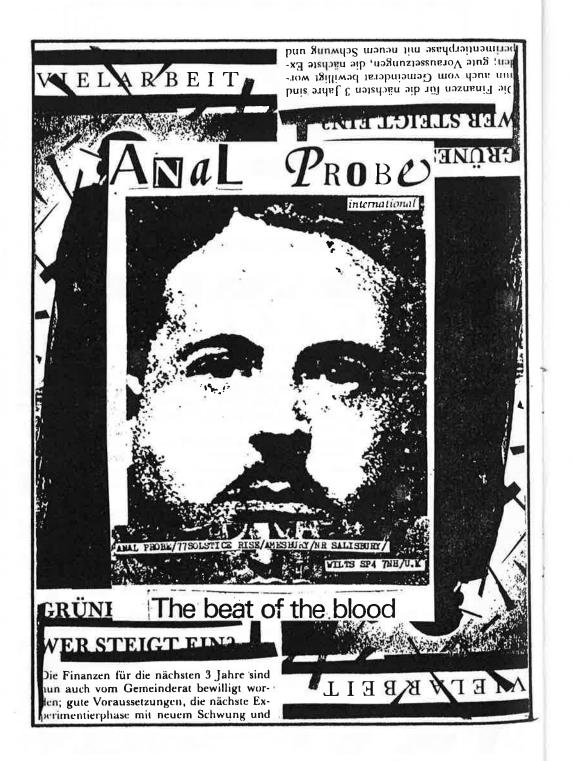
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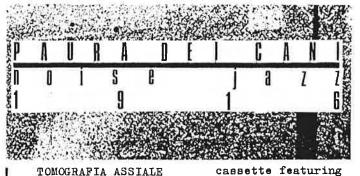
DEJA VOODOO -"Cemete= ry"-lp-OG Records. A strange name for a strange band. This ca= nadian duo is composed by Tony DeWald, drummer and Gerard Van Herk, guitarist and singer. "Cemetery" is their first album. The cover reports a long list of musicians who

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"Bad Alchemy"-maga= zine and cassette-Recommended Records/ No Man's Land. This new release of Recommended Records Germany is really very interesting.Bad Alchemy is a magazine, unfortunately in Ger= man, that will appear every 3 months. This number includes a

cassette featuring among others, the tracks of Skeleton Crew.C.Jauniaux & T. Hodgkinson, Debile Menthol, News From Babel, L. Coxhill. Inside the magazine you will find inter= views with Chris Cutler, Fred Frith & Tom Cora, beyond informations concer= ning the groups fea= tured on the casset= te. a.f.:Recommended

Records.Dominika= nerstrasse 7,8700 Würzburg, Western Germany.

CHRISTINA KU= BISCH -"On air"-cassette self-produced Christina has a long expe= rience in the field of con= temporary mu= sic.She is specialized in insonori= zations of ambients usi= ng cables and headphones. Her way of working may

be compared to the one of Urban Sax. The sound is anyway qui" te different, her el= ectronic portraits will leave a trace in your brain. a.f.: Marco Veronesi, via Porpora I26, 2013I Milano, Italy.

ZONA INDUSTRIALE -"Sequenze"-cassette with the fanzine Infinito-Industrial Zone.

A short tape by Zo= na Industriale, a ve= ry active group in= side italian pano= rama. Dark minimal electronics illustr= ating in the right way the themes pro= posed by the fanzi= ne,"And in the sto= ne-coffin", "The sen= se of death".Limited edition of IOO co= pies.

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CRAIG BURK.

Singer, guitarist and trumpetist, Craig Burk made his training for classical guitar and trumpet at Iowa University. He also studied film and literature. He settled in New York after staying in Europe, North Africa, Central Asia and India. He has edited 4 cassettes and an EP 45ts.

All his products are very interesting and necessary to fully understand New York's research on the "song form". His first tape, called "Shrug" attributed to the group with the same name, released in August I98I, contains short songs—a characteristic you will find in all Craig's works—, ballanced between very nervous springing total improvisation and very naives delicate suggestons, coming from his acoustic guitar. Already in this work the ductile and varied voice of Craig constitutes a real surprise.

In November 1982, we have the edition of his second cassette, "Six pieces", made in collaboration with Jack Fetterman, synth player, former jazz and rock pianist, now adept of the art & noise mouvement, Hahn Rowe who played also with Glenn Branca, and saxophonist and percussionist Dan Rosen.

In this cassette the exploration of new sonorities through the unconventional use of traditionals instruments goes across all the tracks, rigorously improvised of "Six pieces". The atmosphere is aleatory, the rumorism never gratuitous or made for itself, but au contraire elegant.

The third tape, "Audio verite", was released in August 1983, containing a further development in his search of new sono=rities. The sound becomes larger looking for unexplored and fashinating horizons. The second side of the tape features unreleased tracks of the Shrug period.

1984 is for Craig Burk the year of his first vynil experien= ce.It's an RP 45ts titled "Codes of abstract conduct", publi= shed by Jack Fetterman's Alia Records.

This mini album contains a cycle of I3 very short songs.
The voice of Craig is here one again original, never flat
or monotone, blending in a perfect way sonorities remembering
Arto Lindsay's guitar, even with less cacophonic extremism,
the harsh noises of Fetterman's synth and tapes or noises of
Robert James, concrete sound manipulator, collaborator of Burk
since "Six pieces".

In 1985 Burk edited "The history of decency", his new cassette featuring a cycle of 2I songs, already performed live by Craig the 26 of April 1984, in New York, during the Festival Of Voices. The songs are very dense, fashinating and haunting are little levels.

Craig Burk has made an extremely rigorous work continuosly searching for new musical solutions to give new life to an asphyxiated structure, the song, that otherwise would not have covered the steep ways marked out by New York's experimentation.





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THE "SONG FORM". AN INTRODUCTION TO CRAIG BURK.

A song, not considering its musical contents, can be seen as an autonomous entity - even if concerning different musical currents -, characterized by some unmistakable elements, as catchy vocals, or a refrain, a length that rarely exceeds the 3 minutes.

Well this structure is nowadays old, obsolete and nearly banal, so it has become the hunting field for the hordes of New York's experimental musicians who ventured inside it. These musicians have fixed new characterising elements or they just have explored its hidden and unknown corners. Already some years ago with the release of "No New York", we discivered the little gems created by DNA. These "songs" were completely arrythmic and atonal featuring Arto Lindsay's violent strumming and scratching om guitar. We also discovered the tribal and rumoristic play of Mars, and the hollow obscure songs, with repetitive and minimal rhythmic structures of Teenage Jesus & The Jerks. Other personages moved recently inside the structure of a song.

John Zorn, continuously searching for the "improvised song form", contributed to explore further on to extend the narrow ghetto in which we normally locate a song.

John Zorn gave birth to very short songs utilizing his game calls or his alto sax and clarinet with the colla=boration of the noises sound mixages created by Christian Marclay's turntables, or with the help of Arto Lindsay's atonal guitarism.

In these songs unusual sonorities, the rigour of experimentation and an absolute improvisation create original and catchy atmosheres.

Besides Zorn, a band like Bump, and Craig Burk persevere in this research.

SW: Can you live on records and concerts?

DM: Absolutely not.

JS: Hell, no! Borbetomagus and Agaric Records operate on a break even basis. I'm pleased to say we manage to do that. Any money from gigs or record sales has gone back into the group treasury, for future projects. We all support ourselves by other means. There is a better support system in Europe. Some of the gigs were pretty good paying. so we pretty muck broke even on the tour. In this country, with the exception of Meet the Composer, there is to my knowledge no arts organisation structured to support the individual musicians - the ones who are out there doing. I'm very discouraged about this scene in the U.S. Borbetomagus incorporated to be able to apply for certain grants. For years we did everything right. We raised contributions sometimes by going door to door and hitting up small businesses.

We gave personal contributions. We did great publicity and got a tremendous amount of support from a lot of friends. But year after year we got no support from the Arts organizations that say they exist to help organisations such as us. Well, I won't go back to the same friends, what ones are still standing by us, to beg \$ 15.00 when we get no support from the places we should. Arts organizations tell you to keep up with it. don't be discouraged and don't give up.

That's been the extent of their help. It sucks.

MD: It seems pretty unlikely we ever will certainly we're not counting on it. We all have day jobs. Still we are impelled to continue play= ing to nurture this entity, this sound we call Borbetomagus.

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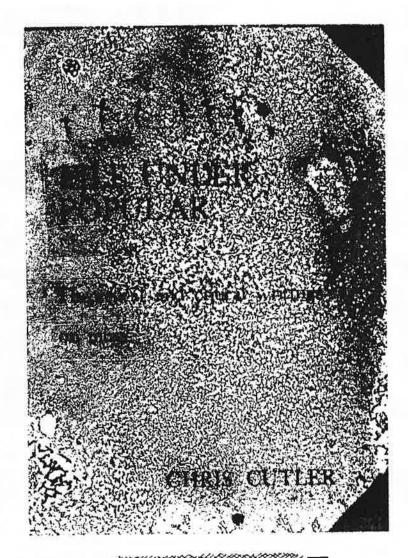
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of by the media this, I think, due mostly because of the euro tour.

European audiences gave mixed reactions depending on our locations on the continent. Typically, we were either loved or hated - very little mid-ground. Certainly indifference was out of the question.

The german (west and east) audiences were very good as were the swiss. England on the other hand wasn't so good. At actual '85 more than half the audience got up and walked out. I should of course mention that what we were playing at the time was rather painful to listen to.

SW: Music and non-music. Does this dichotomy exist?

DM: I have an unusual background to all this. To me music is breaking a jar containing a preserved six months feetus over the head of your biology instructor; over the head of your physical education coach, you might get your nose broken. A thousand years ago music had far more than artistic or entertainement values to agreat many of those who made it on both herispheres of the planet. Then again Guillame Dufay, priest and composer of masses, wrote one hell of a lot of leve songs and Albert Ayler tried rock and roll. Music is a calling in my life the source of which I could explain to a psychiatrist, but he would probably diagnose me as battier than Gérard De Nerval.

Suffice to say that my work in this art, including that with Borbetomagus, acts for me alternately as: personal exercism, as in both Tibetan Tantric and popular tacist traditions; an interdisciplinary



game to give value to my time here, as I suspect Alban Berg saw it (far more than Schönberg, anyway); a magical weapon, as are the films of Kenneth Anger. Of course these philosophies apply equally to each of the "creative" media in which I dabble, that I prefer to see as one medium, a quantitative product of my particular (and, perhaps, peculiar) state of mind. Here the categoric boundaries for expressions in the second dimension (painting, film), the abstract (language), and the aural (music), are as pointless as the concept of music opposing non-music.

- JS: I'm not cortain what you're asking for, but I'll give it a go. The "Avant garde" has challenged audience's perceptions of what is and what is not music. History has shown that with time some of the most radical innovations have been assimilated and when this happens old boundaries and limitations have been expanded.
- DD: Yes. Music always involves decision making. Even aleatoric music involves an initial choice to start the events in motion. The question of good us. Bad music is something else rather personal and relative to the situation. Sometimes we make music which when listened back

to on tape is inferior. This music is not necessarily bad.

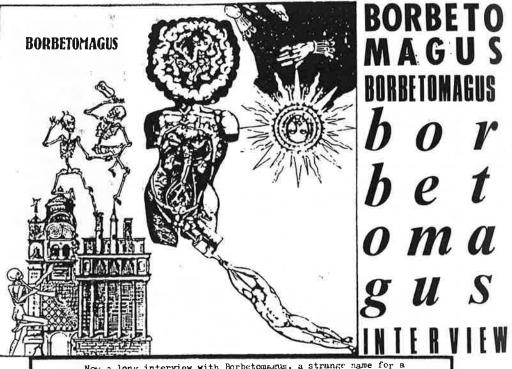
Our music is best experienced live. Occasionally a "performance" is charged with so much vitality and presence that it becomes almost meta-musical. An issue of "you had to be there"!

- SW: Are you interested in noise, as an apart entity? What do you think about it?
- DM: In Borbetomagus we have developed personal musical vocabularies which pay little deference to the western concepts of tone and rhythm, but in which admittedly sometimes violent dynamics in timbre become the source for a new approach to melody, harmony, polyphony.

Despite its unfamiliarity, this is <u>pure</u> music. A catastrophic mudslide on a Peruvian village is noise. I developed a very wide approach to what constitutes music at an early age. I was frequently exposed to the likes of Stravinsky and Bartok by my father as an infant, then to Penderecki, Xenakis and Stockhausen in my early teens.

The gradual departure in this century from the "well-tempered" tonal range to sonic fireworks has always made as much aesthetic sense to me, as that the act of dropping a large rock on your head will put your lights out makes common sense. Thus, the sounds that we produce in Borbetomagus have always been <u>music</u> to my ears. I have never heard it any other way.

- JS: I'm more interested in sound than noise. Noise is something I don't want to hear.
- DD: I like noise. I like noisy melodies and notes. But that's too general. There's an incredible amount of noise and noisy music. More so now than ever before, most I don't like. Musical content, vitality, spirit, quality of sound and the development of a personal musical vocabulary are what I look for. When playing the ideas are extremely diverse. They come from many directions and they come fast. There's very little time for conscious decision making.
- SW: Are you in touch with other bands or musicians in U.S.?
- DM: Besides those luminaries documented on record with us, we have had the honour of working with a number of extraordinary musicians as guests with the group. Outside of Borbetomagus, I have played with two gifted guitarists, Marc Slivka, who died in 1982, and Lee Teich; and continue to work with Brian Doherty, as well as "performance artist" Kembra Pfahler. I am also working with jazz drummer William Hocker with some regularity these days. The list of social friends runs from composers LaMonte Young and Henry Flint to ex Eight-Eyed Spy and Voidoid guitarist Michael Paumgarden. What else in new?
- JS:Not really. There are not many "bands". There are some good individual musicians I stay in contact with and feel really good about some solid friendships that have developed out of meetings initially coming through the music.
- DD: We know a number of US musicians and have even played with some "recognized" figures. Our best playing is ultimately as a trio, although we have made some terrific music with Milo Fine, Rudolph Grey; Adam Nodelman, Marc Adler, Andrew Cyrille, and german bassist Peter Kowald, who recently has been spending a great deal of time in the U.S. While in Europe we had the pleasure of performing with Norbert Möslang and Andy Guhl in St. Gallen, Switzerland and at the London Improvisors Collective we were honored to perform with AMM (who after all started it all-oredit where credit is due): John Tilbury (piano), Eddie Prevost (percussion) and Keith Rowe (guitar) as well as our friend the inimitable Hugh Davies (live electronics) who joined us on our second album "Work on what has been spoiled".



Now a long interview with Borbetomagus, a strange name for a strange group, more than a group a reunion of persons, whose constribute has the same worth, but it's diverse, and around it are many people, all in experimental music ground; their musical concepts are all very interesting, read it with attention!

Answers are from Donald Miller, Jim Sauter and Don Dietrich.

SW: When and why Borbetomagus started?

DM: The three of us first played together on 27 January 1979.

JS: Borbetomagus came about in 1979 when Don Dietrich and I met
Donald Miller. Don heard Miller's radio program on WKCR, Columbia
University's station. We called to find out how we could get some
of the records he was playing on his show. In talking we found out
that he played guitar. We got together to play at his apartment in
NYC where Brian Doherty was living at the time and we jammed.

We heard what we were not hearing with the other bands we involved with at the time. Don Dietrich and I in Nyack and Miller in NYC.

SW: Before Borbetomagus, did everyone have previous musical expe-

riences?

DM: In high school, around 1974, I had a band called The Book of Thoth, which did Velvet Underground covers; then in 1976, a free jazz group with Eric and Janice Ziarko, now of Cool and the Clones, called The Nazis, doing high school level Iskra 1903 imitations.

Hilarious. I attempted a few Cage, Wolff and Stockhausen pieces at home at this time, too. Even worse. After an abortive attempt at college and prior to my meeting Jim Sauter and Don Dietrich, I was working regularly with a live electronic group, Sick Dick and The Volkswagens which included Brian Doherty. Suddenly they wished to concentrate upon electro-pop, badly done, too. At this time of crisis, with great providence, Don and Jim appeared. During this period I

had also played a number of concerts with such diverse composers as John Zorn and Jeffrey Lohn.

JS: I had some years of piano oranmed down my throat. Sax was an instrument of my choosing. I loved not having to read all those notes.

My involvement with piano died a natural death with that of my

teacher. Miss Gillies.

Don and I were in school bands and in a few rock oriented bands outside of school. Don and I really started playing seriously when I got out of college and back in the area.

SW: You have just come back from your first European tour. How was the impact with the European audience? Is it different from the American

DM: There are not terribly groups working in our particular realm of the sonic on either side of the Atlantic. The relative "novelty" of our intensity and approach certainly helped to bring excited audien ces to most of the venues we played at in Europea. If we were an European band playing here in New York for the first time, the reaction might be similar. To play for any audience with the fortitude to psychically intune itself to our work is always an incredible pleasure.

JS: The audience response varied from place to place but was quite good overall. Our first concert at Front Kino, a place which primarily presents personal films, was attended by over 100 people who all came from hearing about it, by word of mouth, as the local papers sorewed up. They got a great show. And they dug it. The energy was there and

I found some antagonism from a few individuals in other towns, but not unlike we would find anywhere. I think people are pretty much the same everywhere. But I do think the Borbetomagus experience live is something extraordinary live. I think the electricity of the performance communicates to receptive individuals in any country. I have often thought how great it would be to sit in the first row and watch us during the gig, that would be a great experience.

The 9th Annual Jazz Days Festival in Leipzig, East Germany, was an incredible experience for me and I'm sure for Don and Donald too.

It was the largest audience we've ever played for. We have played well advertised gigs in the Nyaok area for audiences of zero people.

To play for 1.700 plus people was a trip. 1.700 plus that seemed to really dig it. At the introduction of "Borbetomagus, New York Free Jazz Extreme", the audience went wild at the mention of "extreme".

I think they were estatio to hear something extreme that would shat ter what seemed to me to be a very monochromatic place.

We would like to play for American audiences. We have not had much opportunity to however. We've been active in our home town area, Nyack, outside NYC about 40 minutes by car. It's been a good way to grow and develope and we've even made a few bucks unlike in NYC where you're lucky to get gas for the trip or worse now when you are asked to pay \$ 150 to \$ 200 for the priveledge to play at some of the places we used to play at.

DD: So far our American exposure has been rather limited. We've tried since the group's inception in '79 to attract the interest of the press but to little avail. We have had similar experiences getting into major festivals and clubs, but again have met with resistance.

Our rather rare performances have mostly been in the New York City area, only within the past few months have we been taken some notice

ADN: Your last works see the partecipation of Jacques Berrocal, a little French genius of improvising music; how did you contact him and what do you think of him?

LC: I met Jacques Berrocal several years ago at the Festival in Reims and we decided that we would perform there as a duo. This was good and we worked together again at Dunois, Paris and the Chanteney Festival. Jacques' contributions to my Nato albums are very good and there is also a video film made at Dunois. I hope to work with him again at some time.

ADN: You are a musician with many faces, a blues man, a jazz man, an improvising player, a theatre fan, you played all kind of music, from jazz to punk to electronic music; what is your best face in your mind now?

LC: I wish to continue to vary the contexts within which I play. I have increased my involvement with theatre, working in tele vision. films and stage productions as an actor.

I am writing more music and working on electro-acoustic tapes. The most important thing for me is to be free to take my music wherever I want to go. My early experiences in playing various formalised types of music have given me an awareness that now allows me to improvise within widely varying areas, in addition to playing in a totally free manner.

ADN: And now a classic question: what are your projects for next future? IC: My future projects include a vocal album with string accompaniement, electronic mtudies, "The Recedents", a group of jazz musicians playing historic compositions in a free manner named "Fingers", The Johnny Rondo Duo with D.G. Holland, a collaboration with the contemporary composer Charles Barber and other musicians, films and solos.

I hope also that more work will be available for Trevor Watt's "Moire Music" and other opportunities will arise for me throughout the coming years.



#### Coxhill albuma:

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#### LOL COXHILL: Jazz related activities:

Music studies at Dineley Studios, London, with Frederik Staff/Aubrey Frank. 1960-1962.

Derek Gilbey Jazz Orchestra; Dave Hunt N.Y. Rhythm&Blues Band; Solo Saxophone & Minimal Electronics, 1962-1964.

Tony Knight's Chessmen (it&B); Rufus Thomas; Solo Saxophone/Electronics. 1964-1966.

Gass (Soul/Jazz/R&B); Solo Saxophone/Electronics. 1966-1968. Solo Saxophone/Electronics. 1968-1970.

Coxhill/Steve Miller Duo; Delivery; Alexis Korner Quartet; Otis Spann; Sonny Boy Williamson; Little Walter; Lowell Fulson; Solo Saxophone/ Electronics. 1970-1972.

Coxhill/Jasper Van't Hof/Pierre Courbois Trio; Coxhill/Miller Duo; Coxhill/David Bedford Duo; Kevin Ayers' Whole World; Solo Saxophone/ Electronics, 1972-1974.

Director of "Welfare State Theatre" Music; Solo Saxophone/Electronics. 1974-1976.

Brotherhood of Breath; Solo Saxophone/Electronics; Coxhill/G.F. Fitz= gerald Duo; Music for Welfare State/John Bull/Jack Show theatre groups, 1976-1978.

Solo Saxophone/Electronics; Mike Westbrook Brass Band; Coxhill/Fitz= gerald Duo; New Departures Poetry Jazz Unit; Director of Music Improvisation Workshops-Bradford Polytechnic and Digswell Arts Trust; Music for Matchbox Purveyors. 1978-1980.

The Johnny Rondo Trio; Solo Saxophone/Electronics; Andrea Centazzo/ Coxhill Duo; Digswell Arts Music Improvisation Workshops; Welfare State theatre :: . :; Jail Ware House Theatre music; Coxhill/Fitzgerald Duc; Derek Mailey's Company; Johnny Rondo Duo; Music Workshops; New Depar tures Jazz Unit; The Recedents (Coxhill, Mike Cooper, Roger Turner); Trevor Watts "Moire Music"; Promenaders; Solo Saxophone/Voice/Mini-Electronics; Theatre, Television and Film Music plus Acting: Recordings Gigu With Other Musicians (Coxhill/Fitzgerald; Coxhill/Steve Miller). After 1980.



this and my later work with the Dammed. When I played with them on tour my music was very freely improvised with no rehearsals.

My intention was to add another dimension which did not exist without me. The collaborations were enjoyable and successful. My contribution to the album was made rather hurriedly. I would have prefered to orchestrate it, but the band, I think, were pleased with it, so that is allright.

I have not heard the Dammed recently. I sometimes hear Lu with 3 Mustaphas 3. Good band. Also some time ago Captain Sensible came to one of my solo concerts and we performed together in the second set.

He is a pop star now, of course. It's good that he still works with the band. I am pleased to have added something of my music to theirs. I have since met a number of people who heard me on the tour or the record "Music for Pleasure" and became interested in what I am doing. Collaborations of this type help to spread the music to more listeners. I think that this is constructive. If someone hears me in one situation and then comes to one of my own concerts and becomes involved in that, it increases the audience for more complex and instuitive music.

ADN: During your U.S. tour, at Baltimore you had a car accident; have you again problems with your mouth?

Let When I was involved in the car accident in Baltimore I received facial and leg injuries. This was about four years ago. My jaw was slightly displaced and a few teeth broken. Consequently, I had receive treatment and then develop a different way of playing the saxophone. I played occasionally in commercial bands where I did not need to work too hard and also practiced a great deal to regain my control of the instrument. In addition to this, I occasionally played in improvising situations and solo. My playing slowly re-developed and now I think that I am a little more accomplished than prior to the accident. So, the situation is satisfactory now.

ADN: "Digswell Duets" is perhaps an anticipation of your future works with Morgan Fisher; do you prefer playing alone, with mates



or with an electronic instrument as partner? Do you like electronic

LC: My album with Simon Emmerson (and Veryan Weston) "Digswell Duets" comes many year after my first duets with other contemporary musicians. It is the first of my albums where I work in duet with just one other person in the field of electronic music, although there are earlier examples of my own efforts. There is little connection between this particular relationship and "Slow Music" which I made with Morgan Fisher. I am reasonably pleased with both recordings.

In addition to my solo work and performances with other acoustic musicians, both situations which continue to offer increating challenges, I am now increasing my involvment with musicians working more in the electronic areas of music. This interest has developed rapidly since the formation of a trio with Mike Cooper and Roger Turner.

The name of the group is "The Recedents" (people losing their hair). There is absolutely no connection with The Residents. The music is totally different. Each musical situation has its own interests for me. I do not intend to concentrate specifically in one area of music at any time. I believe that I have a musical identity which is now recognisable within a wide range of contexts. I feel that I am a collaborator and an infiltrator, rather than merely an eclectic musician. If, for instance, I were to play with a New Orleans Jazz Band, I would play my own variations in a way that would be compatible with the music generally. I cannot play un-authentic New Orleans Jazz and would not wish to do so, much as I love some of that music.

The same approach applies in all of my relationships.

ADN: What do you think about your Ictus recordings? (I think Lid is your best solo album)

LC: My lotus recordings were made after my accident in USA, at a time when playing was difficult for me. They are not amongst my best mlbums, although the solo one, for my own playing, is the most successful. However, my Nato solo album "Dunois tapes", made when I had regained most of the former abilities, is superior to the Italian releases where I am concerned.



as the band developed. This was extended during performances by the Coxhill/Bedford Duo.

ADN: Did you listen to the last Ayers' works? What do you think about them?

IC: I've not heard Kevin's more recent albums. My personal preference is for "Joy of a Toy" and "Whatever She Brings We Sing" and then odd tracks from others.

ADN: Sometimes you made your recordings for your first sole album at open air, they include a children choir for "Wlarus"; does all come from your passion for open performances, like your work with Welfare State? How did you meet Bob Wyatt?

LC: My first solo album was suggested by John Peel after he heard me in the streets of London. He wanted a recording of just this improvised music, but I said that I would prefer to make a double album which would give a better impression of the scope of my work. I am really interested in the possibilities for playing in quite varied environments. I do not favour one situation before another. Each has its own advantages and disadvantages.

My first work in the company of Robert Wyatt was with the Whole World and then later in a trio with Phil Miller, an improvisation group with Lady June. Robert also plays on my "Ear of Beholder" and "...Oh, Really?" albums. I have not seen him for a couple of years now, but I hear the recordings. I like Robert and admire him as a writer and musician.

ADN: I think that audience is for you very important, it has to be one of the performers, isn't it?

LG: In my performances I am mostly concerned with the work itself.

In certain situations, I will involve the audience in some way verbally through improvisation and statements which often are intended to confuse in a vaguely amusing way, but generally speaking. I try to become absorbed in the music. In a purely musical performance, I feel that the best that I can offer to an audience is music which developes through absolutely serious concentration.



The presentation exists in the music itself with no superficial "shoe business" nonsense.

ADN: Why didn't you live in London, so perhaps you would be nearer to the heart of English jazz in the seventies?

LC: Well, I was born in Hampshire, moved to Buckinghamshire and then to Hertfordshire; however, this was of no relevance, as I have always been able to get to London when necessary.

Now, though, after all these years of travelling to and from London, I live right in the City itself. Although many of the finest musicians live in or near London, there are still superb musicians living elsewhere. It is not important to live in the Capitol and most of the musicians work more outside of London. Perhaps I would have been accepted as a worthwhile player earlier if I had lived in London, but whatever reputation I have has been developed whilst living away from London.

ADN: "Fleas in Custard" and "Diverse", so near in time, so far as remsults; I think the former is one of your better works, I don't like very much the latter, what do you think about them?

IC: "Fleas in Custard" and "Diverse" are intended to display quite different aspects of my music. I try to vary my albums so that they collectively reflect my overall work. Although there are things which still interest me in "Fleas in Custard", I much prefer the second of the two albums. I am very pleased with the completely improvised quartet side in "Diverse". There was no preparation for this. We simply listened and played the music.

ADN: "Voy of parancia", a gem, is a record of jazz intriguing with rock music; was it influenced by your contacts with the Dammed? What do you think about Captain Sensible?

IG: "Joy of parancia" is again an album which features an entire side of improvised music, "The Wakefield Capers". The three guitarists were playing on the same concert where I played unaccompanied and for the second set we played together and recorded the music.

The rock references in my own playing developed naturally in relation to the guitarists collective work. There is no connection between



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ADN: At your beginnings you played rhythm'n'blues; did it give you much? Are you grateful to that experience?

LC: My early involvment with Rhythm and Blues music coincided with my first improvised solo saxophone performances. Consequentely certain elements of R&B have filtered into my work at odd times. My past associations with R&B/Blues musicians, such as Little Walter, Otis Spann, Rufus Thomas and Lowell Fulson, were good for me and I certainly do not regret these brief collaborations.

<u>ADN</u>: Were you satisfied with your first vinyl approach, I think with Delivery? Perhaps that work was not so great as you could await from the band.

LC: My first recordings were made privately with limited distribution around 1955, before I became seriously involved in music.

My first professional recording was with Tony Knight's Chessmen in the early 1960s at the time when we were working with Rufus Thomas. There were a few other recordings prior to the Delivery album. Delivery was a good, inventive band, but the album is not a good representation. It was made at the same time as "Shooting at the moon", which is the only recording of Kevin Ayers' Whole World, which I left Delivery to join.

ADN: Was your love for theatre (Murder in the Air shows it) to approach you to the Whole World and its genius, the great Kevin?

LC: My first theatrical performances was given long before I decided to become involved in music. The use of "Murder in the Air" in Whole World concerts was suggested by David Bedford.

I accepted the invitation to join the band after hearing "Joy of a Toy". A fine record. When I entered the band, my instention was just to play music. The theatrical element came later,



Bump is a strange trio from New York, that has among its founders Rick Brown, drummer of V-Ef= ect.Bump works around an original musical idea concerning the introduction of improvisation in structured songs. For this reason Bump may be re= lated to other names of New York's experimenta= tion as John Zorn or Craig Burk. Shorting and en= larging riffs, slowling and accelerating tonal intervals, mixing elements from different musi= cal traditions, Bump obtains songs with a very strange structure.

Anyway its declared influences, going from tribal rhythms and japanese koto to classical european musical culture, from Captain Beefheart, Ornette Coleman, Albert Ayler to Sex Pistols, forecast a sonorous massacre near to the incredible. As we already wrote Bump is a trio consisting of Mike Sappol, bassist and singer, who used to play in You Rang, Negative Radicals and Bosky Dell, Ruth Peyser, guitarist and singer, who collaborated with Elliott Sharp and Mark Howell, beeing also member of You Rang, and Jim Biedermann, percussio= nist.former member of Bosky Dell and Trees. Rick Brown is at the moment, only a collaborator of the group. Its place has been taken by Jim who introduced in the band electronic drums, and its metallic sonorities.

Bump plays very often with John Zorn, Elliott Sharp. Ikue Mori and other musicians from New York's underground area.

Till now they only released a demo tape contai= ning 4 tracks that will appear as an ep published by Lost label.

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