A YEAR IN COVERS

2023 edition

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Letung

Monkey

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A YEAR IN COVERS is an anual exhibition held online that aims to celebrate cover artworks

in the underground electronic music scene around the world

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About A Year in Covers

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In the realm of electronic music, where beats, melodies, and rhythms fuse to create sonic landscapes, there exists an often-underestimated component that plays a pivotal role in captivating audiences before they even hear a single note: cover artwork.

The visual representation that accompanies an album or a single release holds immense significance in the electronic music scene, transcending mere aesthetic appeal to become a crucial tool for conveying the artist's message, setting the tone for the music, and establishing a unique identity in a crowded and competitive industry.

The cover artwork serves as the initial point of contact between the listener and the music. In an era where streaming platforms dominate music consumption, cover art acts as a digital storefront, catching the eye amid countless other releases vying for attention.

It is the visual hook that entices potential listeners to click and delve deeper into the sonic world created by the artist. Compelling and thought-provoking artwork can pique curiosity, drawing individuals into the auditory journey that awaits them.

Beyond its role as a marketing tool, cover artwork encapsulates the essence of the music it represents. It functions as a visual representation of the emotions, themes, and narratives embedded within the compositions. Whether abstract or literal, the artwork acts as a companion to the auditory experience, enhancing the listener's understanding and appreciation of the music. It establishes a symbiotic relationship between the visual and the auditory, enriching the overall artistic expression.

Moreover, cover art serves as a means for artists to cultivate their brand and identity. In the electronic music scene, where individuality and innovation are highly prized, compelling visuals can become synonymous with a particular artist's style.

Iconic album covers from artists like Daft Punk, Kraftwerk, or The Chemical Brothers have transcended the confines of album art to become cultural symbols, instantly recognizable and inseparable from the music itself.

This interplay between music and visuals solidifies an artist's unique persona, fostering a deeper connection with their audience.

The collaborative nature of electronic music often sees artists collaborating with visual designers and illustrators to create cover artwork.

This collaboration not only elevates the visual appeal but also fosters a sense of community within the creative industry. It provides a platform for emerging visual artists to showcase their talents and gain exposure, leading to mutually beneficial partnerships that contribute to the overall artistic landscape.

Art holds immense importance in the electronic music scene, transcending its role as mere decoration to become a crucial component of the entire music experience. Its ability to captivate, communicate, and complement the sonic journey is undeniable.

As technology continues to shape the way we consume music, the role of cover artwork remains an integral part of an artist's expression, serving as a gateway to a world where sound and vision converge to create an immersive and unforgettable experience for the listener.

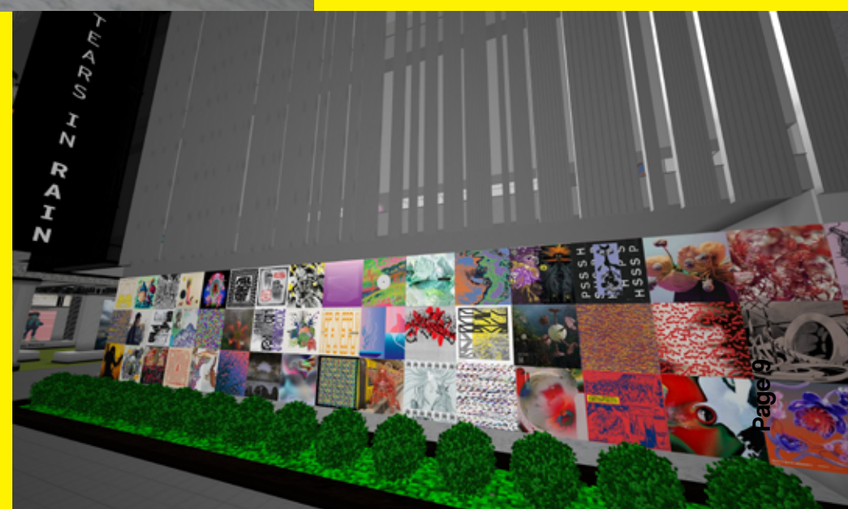


Metaverse Gallery

Tears In Rain
29 Leukothea, Helios, Voxels







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Selected Covers

2023 Edition

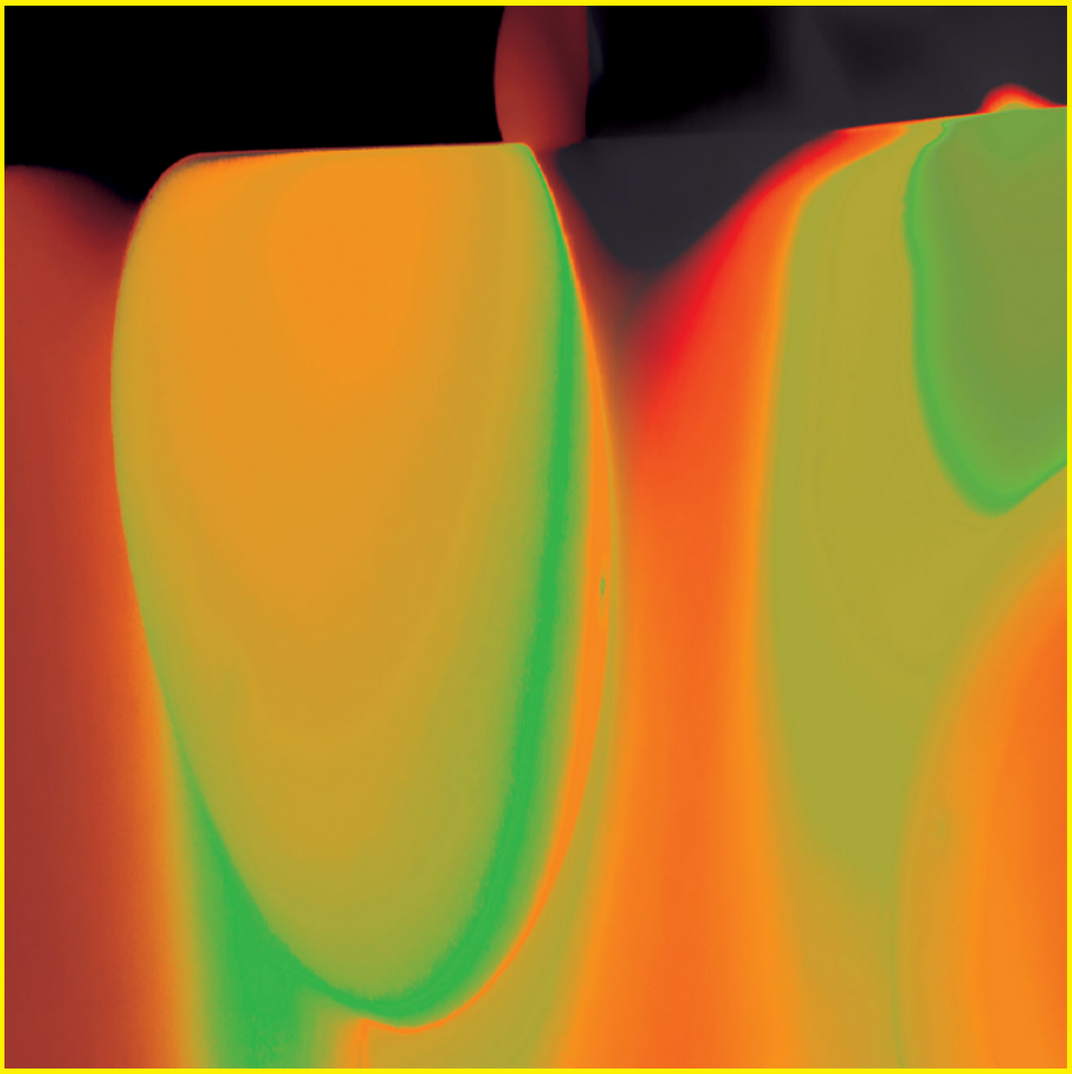
Edition 2023

A Year In Covers

Anthony Naples - orbs (ANS)

Artwork by Josh Abramovici

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Actress - LXXXVIII (Ninja Tune)

Artwork by Inventory Studios

Curated by Letrung



Aphex Twin - Blackbox Life Recorder 21f / in a room7 F760 (Warp Records)

Artwork by Weirdcore

Curated by Letung



Arlo Parks - My Soft Machine (Transgressive)

Photography by Vince Aung & Design by Betty Wang

Curated by Bee Boys



Aroma Nice - Lost Realms (Yuku)

Artwork by Payo Sanf

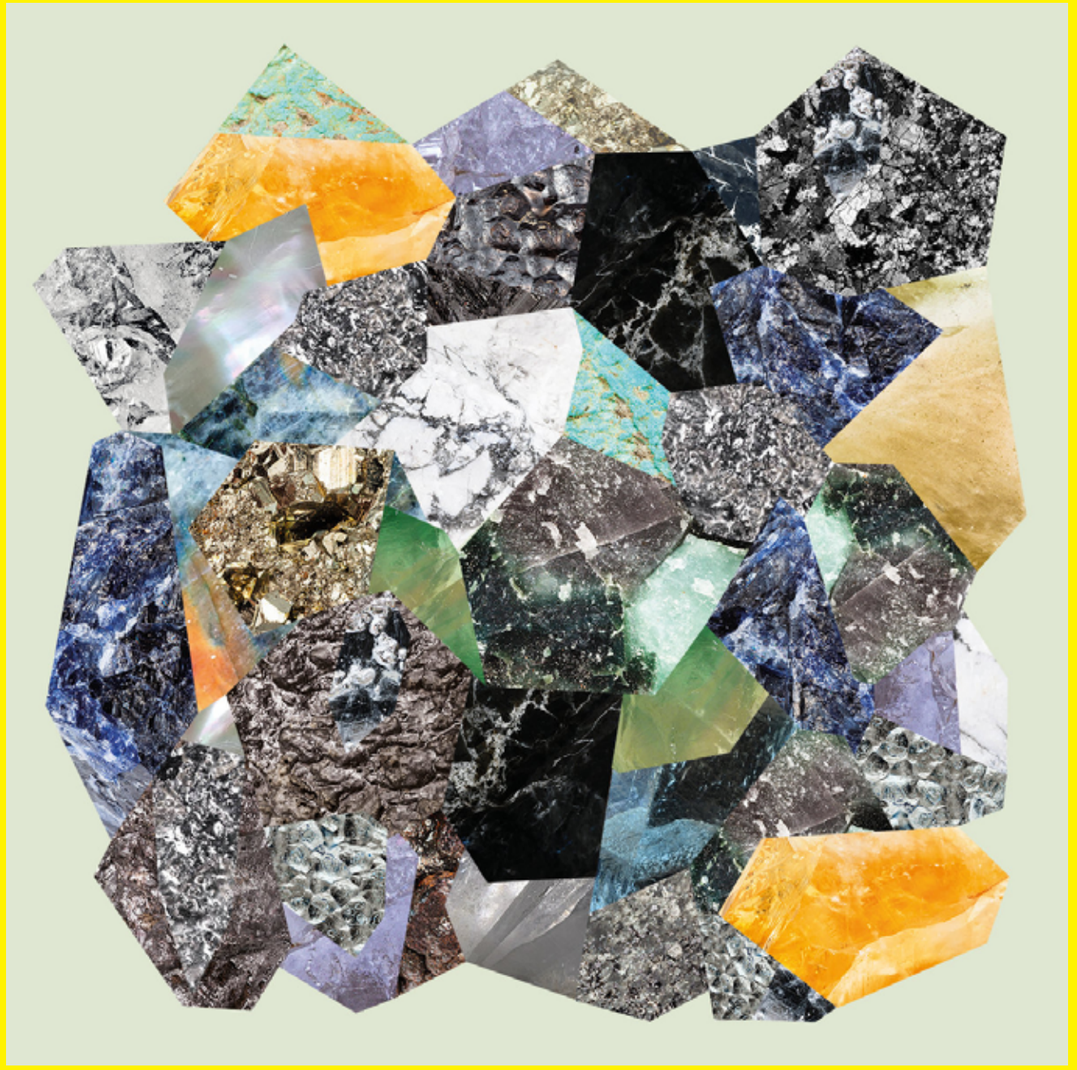
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ASC & Semblance, Nuversion, Polygonia, Morphing Territories - Point E (On Board Music)

Artwork by Sonja Camara

Curated by Monkey



Ayesha - Rhythm is Memory (Kindergarten Records)

Artwork by Georgi Lazarevski

Curated by Lauseek



B4Lasers - GROWIN' PAINZ

Artwork by B4Lasers

Curated by Letung



BASHKKA - Maktub (UMAY)

Artwork by Noah Umur Kanber

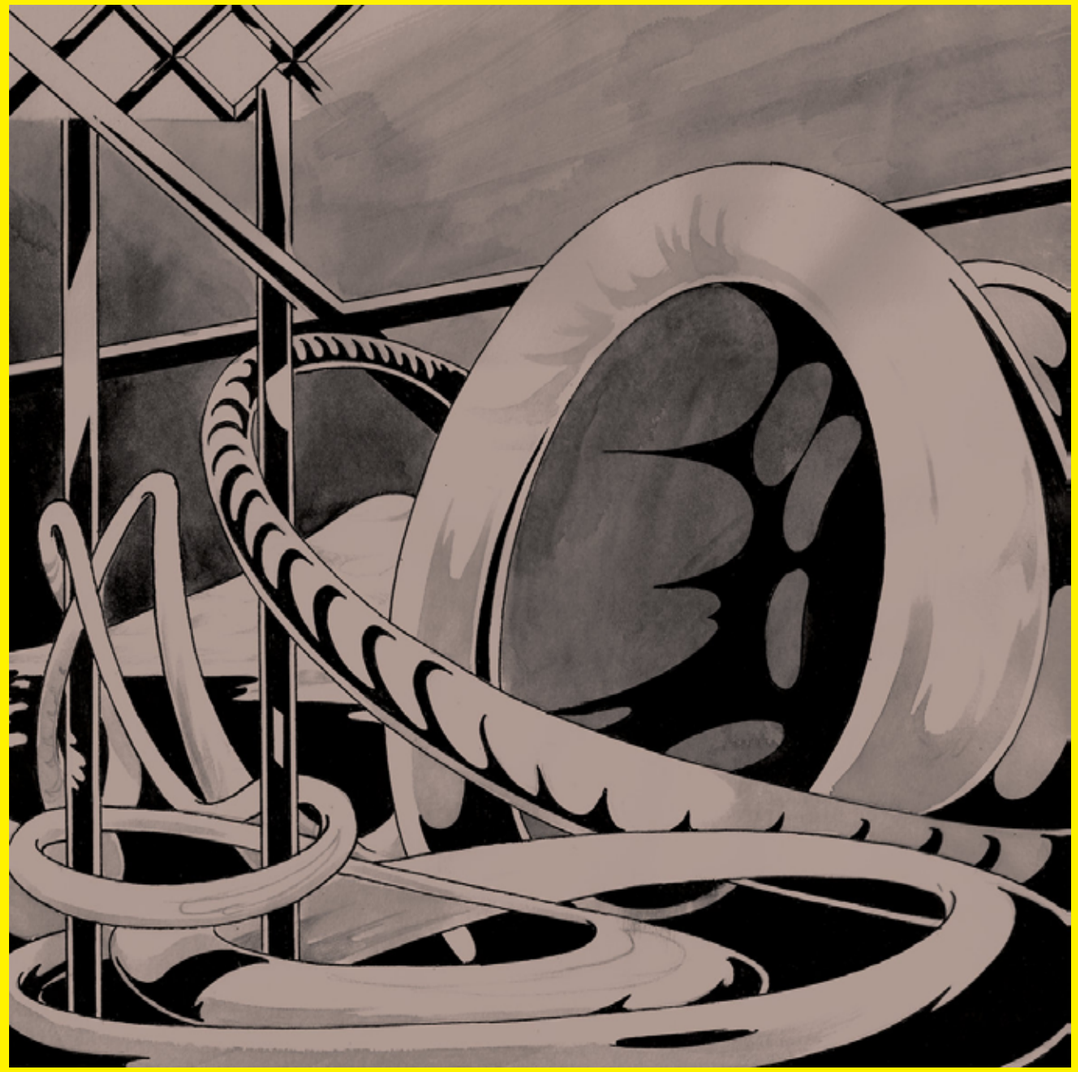
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Batu - For Spirits (Timedance)

Artwork by Laurie Herman

Curated by Aurora Mora



berlioz - miro

Artwork by Pat Thomas

Curated by Letung



Beta Librae - DAYSTAR (Incienso Records)

Artwork by Josh Abramovici

Curated by Lauseek



Byron the Aquarius - FUCK BEATPORT VOL.1

Curated by Letung



Chris Korda - Primitive Man

Artwork by Chris Korda

Curated by Lauseek



Christine and the Queens - PARANOÏA, ANGELS, TRUE LOVE

Photograph by Paolo Reversi

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Chrizpy Chriz - The Lost and the Unfound

Artwork by William Gouchie

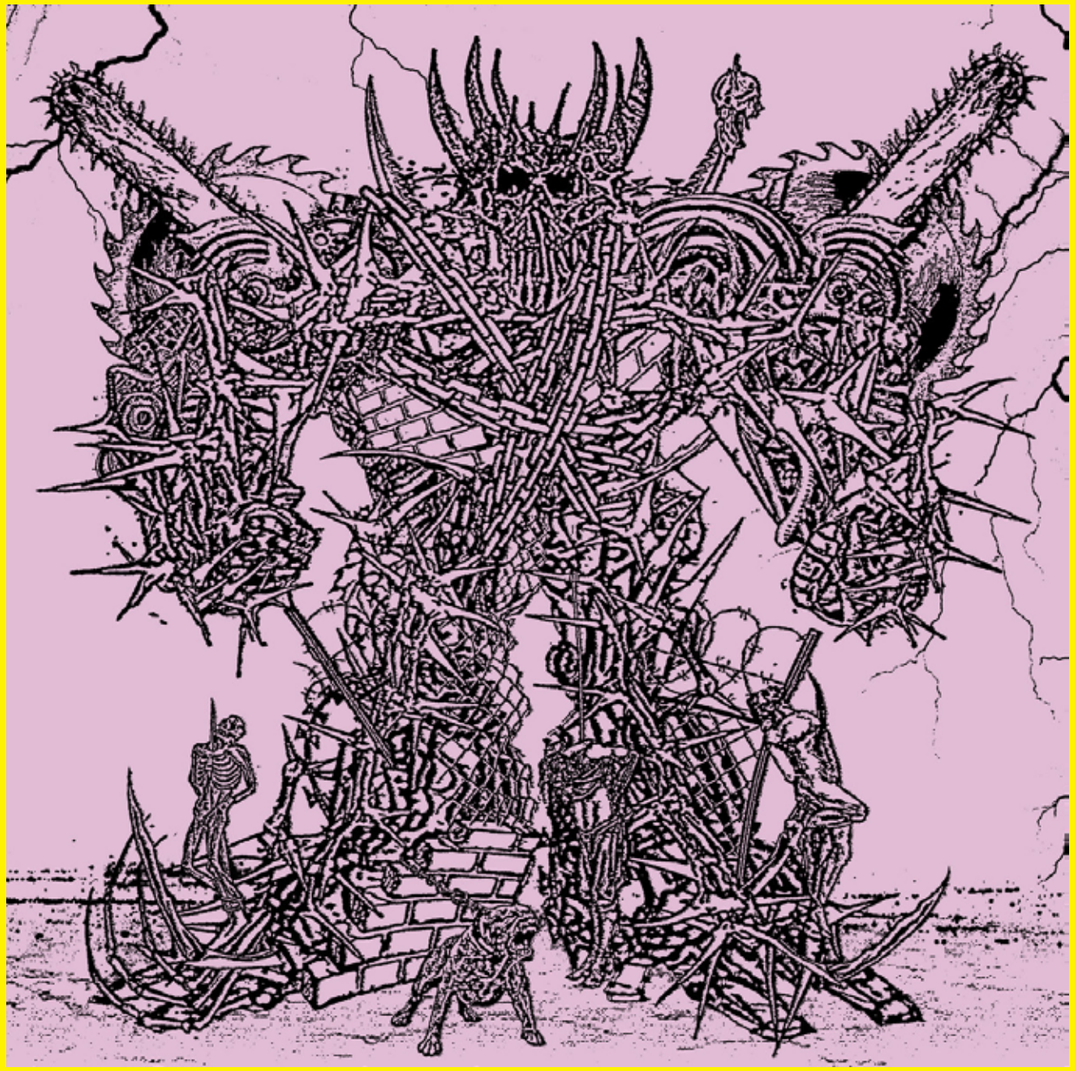
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Clouds - Mass Hysteria

Artwork by Super Goog

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Coco Bryce - Nirwana EP (Critical Music)

Artwork by Gregory Feldwick

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CORIN - Lux Aeterna (UIQ)

Artwork by Wei Huang

Curated by Babar



Crus Servers - EEL (12th isle)

Artwork BY Al White

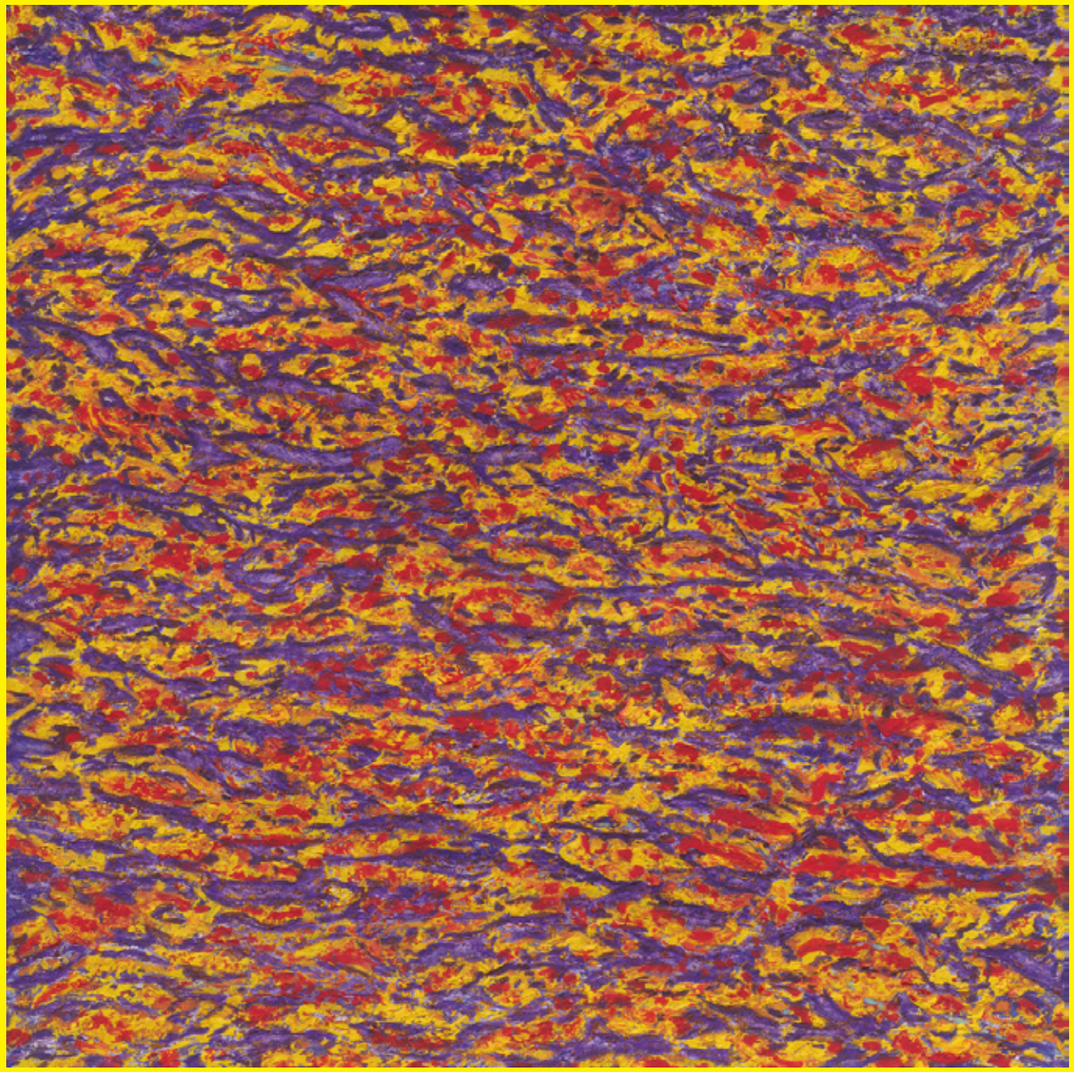
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Artwork by Bettina Zenker

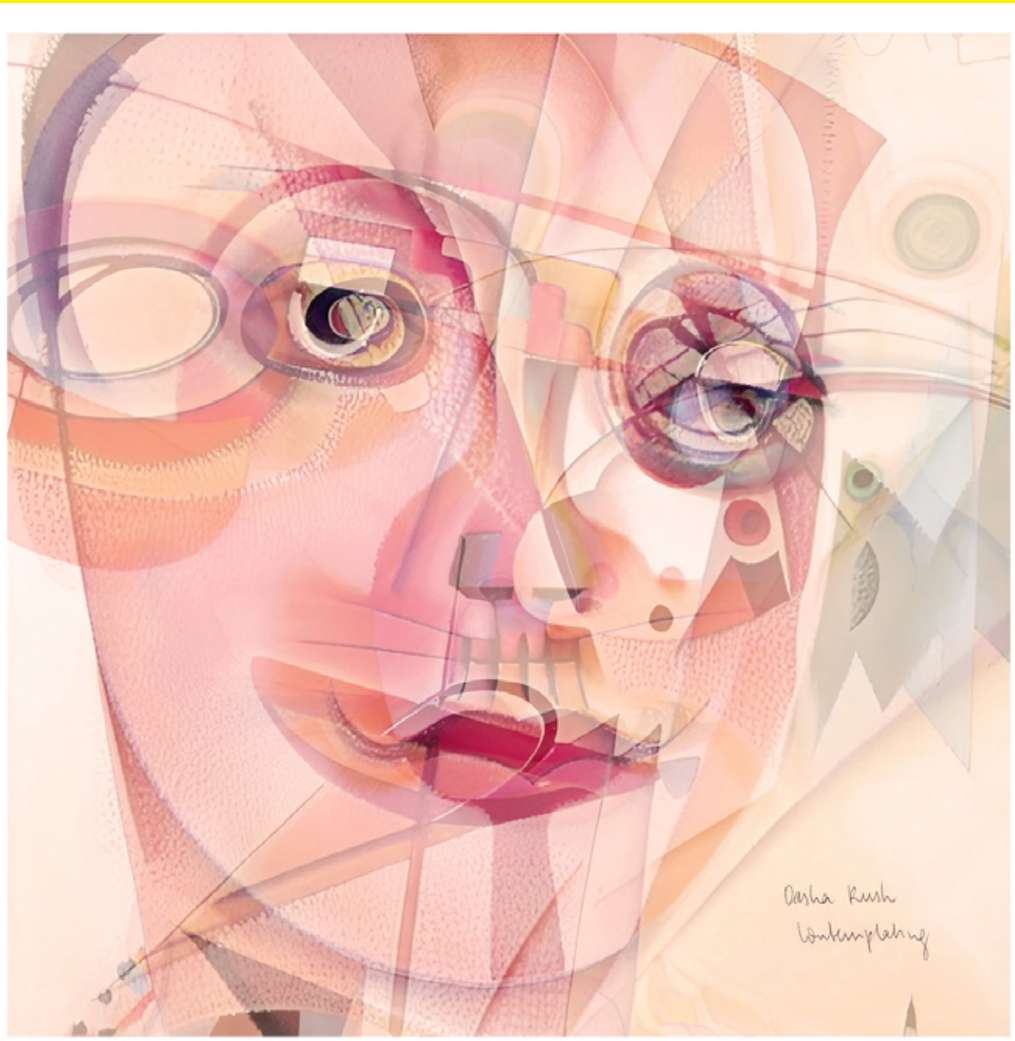
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Dasha Rush - Contemplating (Raster Raster)

Artwork by Dasha Rush

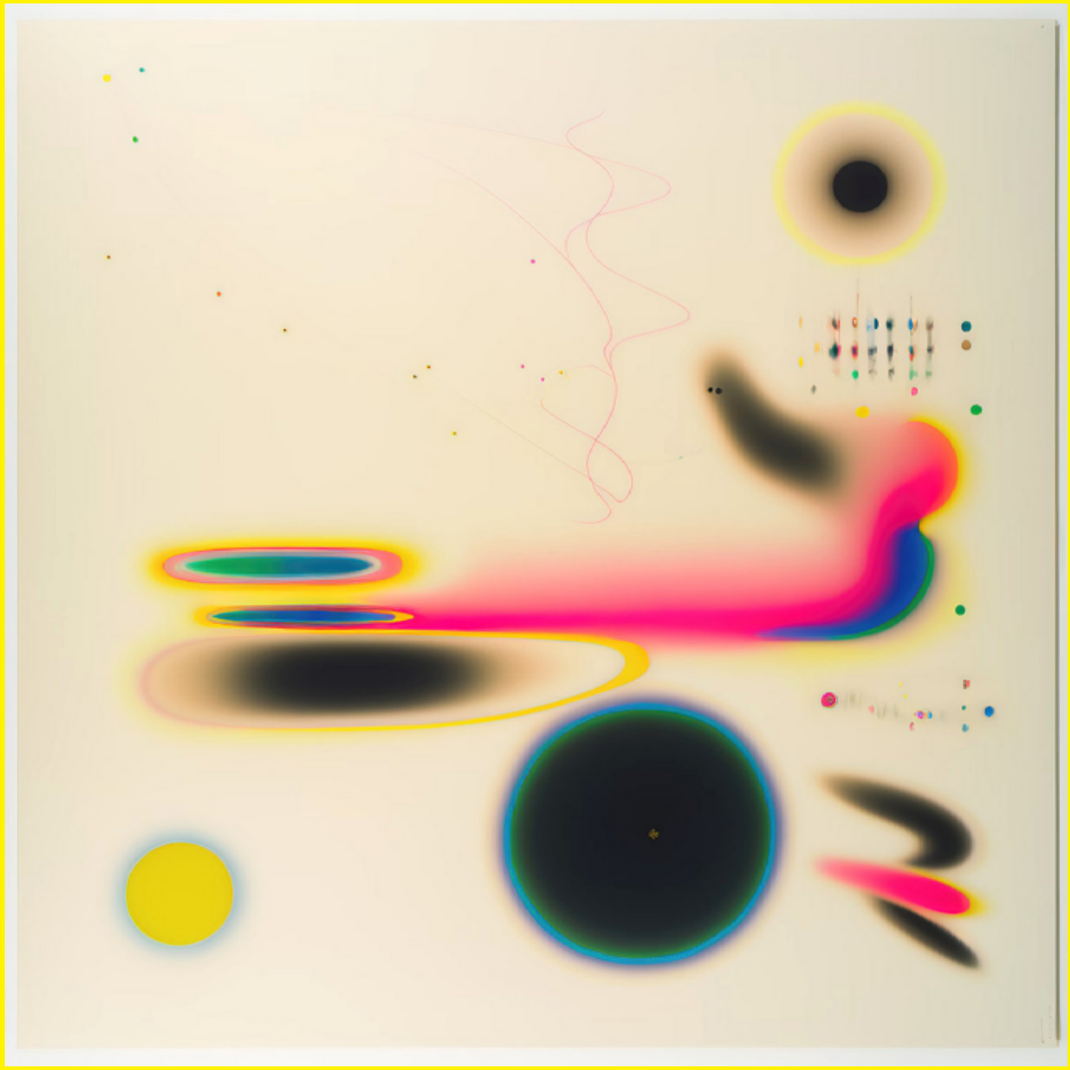
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DJ+1 - Aromáticas (También)

Artwork by Guukz

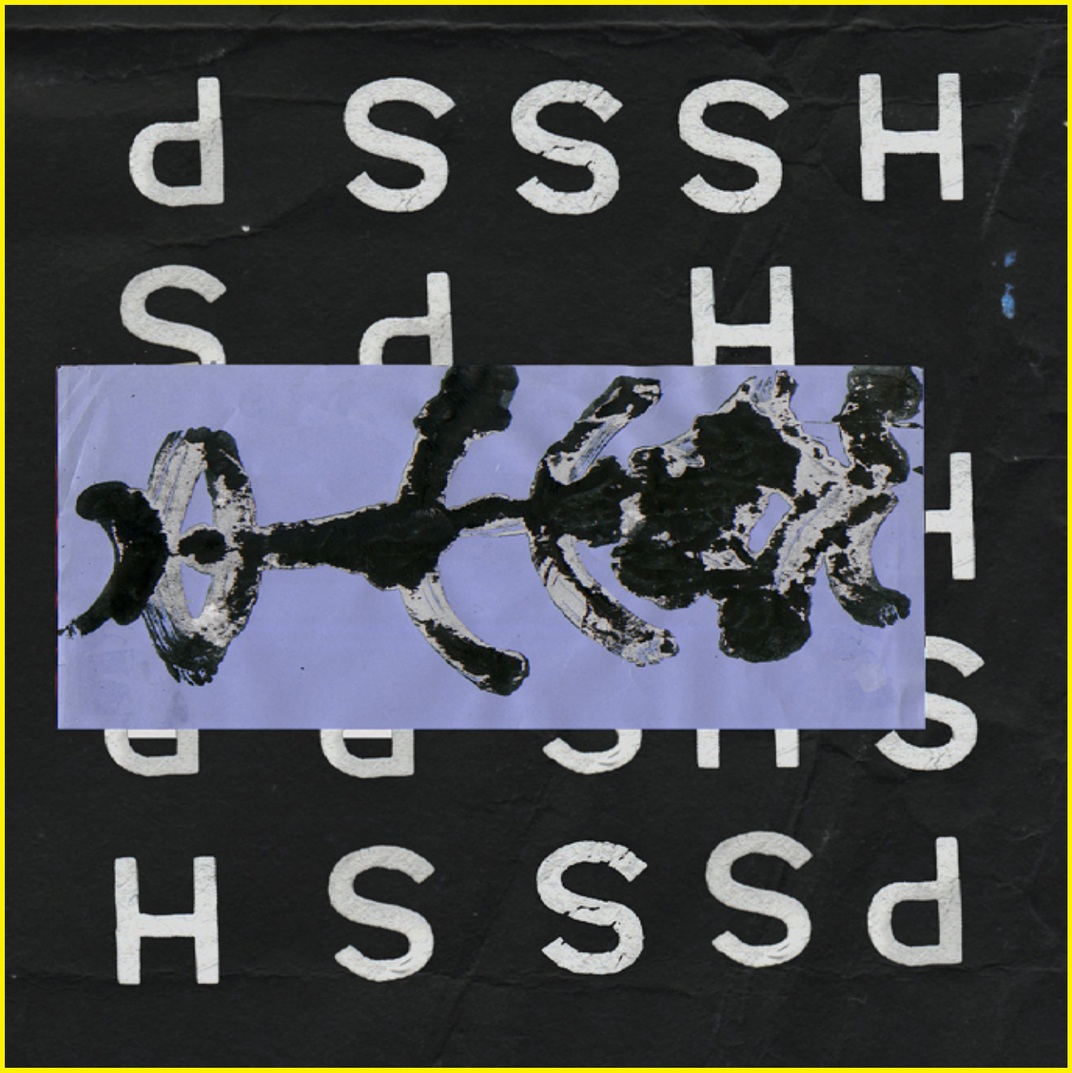
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Dauwd - Pssh 003X (Pssh Records)

Artwork by Mauro Ventura

Curated by Dosha



Dominik Eulberg - Avichrom Remixes (!K7 Music)

Artwork by Natalia Luzenko (based on Mona Reduth drawings)

Curated by Hari Hari



Dream Dolphin - Gaia: Selected Ambient & Downtempo Works (1996-2003) (Music From Memory)

Artwork by Kazuhiro Aihara

Curated by Dosha



Eph3mme ft VON Krup - Earthlink 🌍

Artwork by Eph3mme

Curated by Takk Iori



Escaflowne - Slipstream EP (ILIAN TAPE)

Artwork by AI & Escaflowne

Curated by Dosha



Facets - Breakable (Optimo Music)

Curated by Takk Iori



Fever Ray - Radical Romantics

Artwork by Martin Falck

Curated by Bee Boys



Floating Points - Birth4000

Artwork by Akiko Nakayama

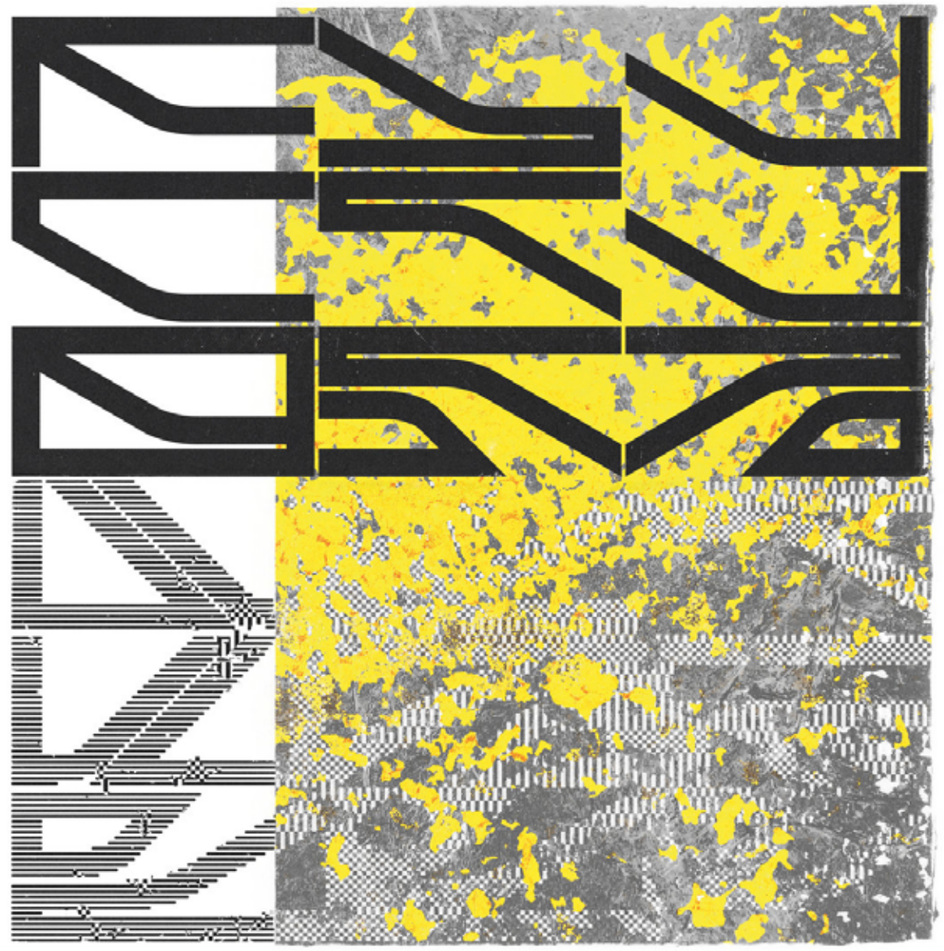
Curated by RL



Fluctuosa - [AF050] Wetware EP (Analogical Force)

Artwork by Geometric Love

Curated by Dosha



Frankie Rose - Love As Projection

Artwork by Bill Connors

Curated by Babar



Function - Green EP

Photograph by Silent Editions

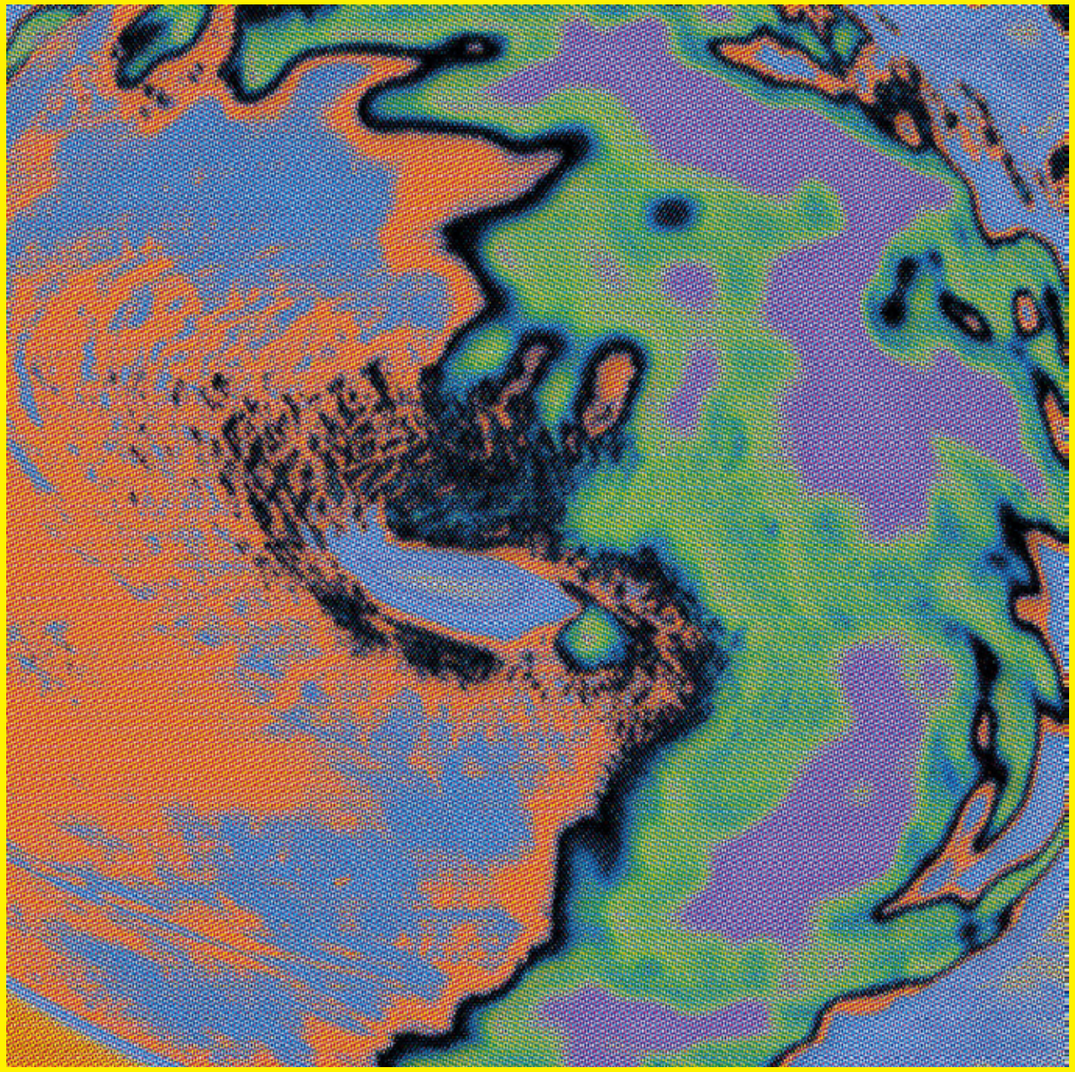
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Gacha Bakradze - Pancakes

Artwork by Dominik Keller

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Girlcop - Cold Sweat (New Fair Deal)

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GLUEMEGA - GLUEMEGA (Discos Trifecta)

Artwork by Pete Florentini

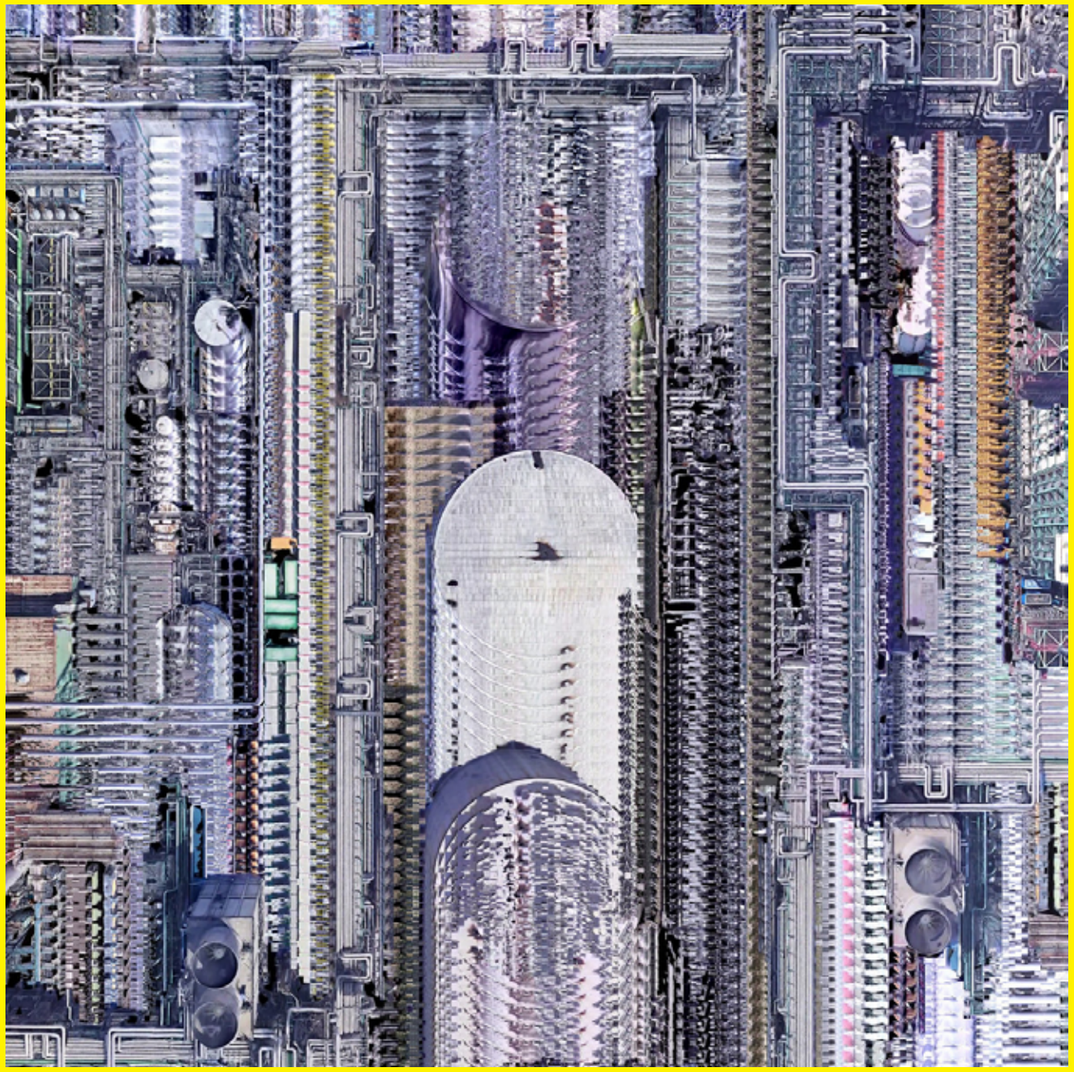
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Henry Greenleaf - Dog Eared (YUKU)

Artwork by Thomas Collet (chepertom)

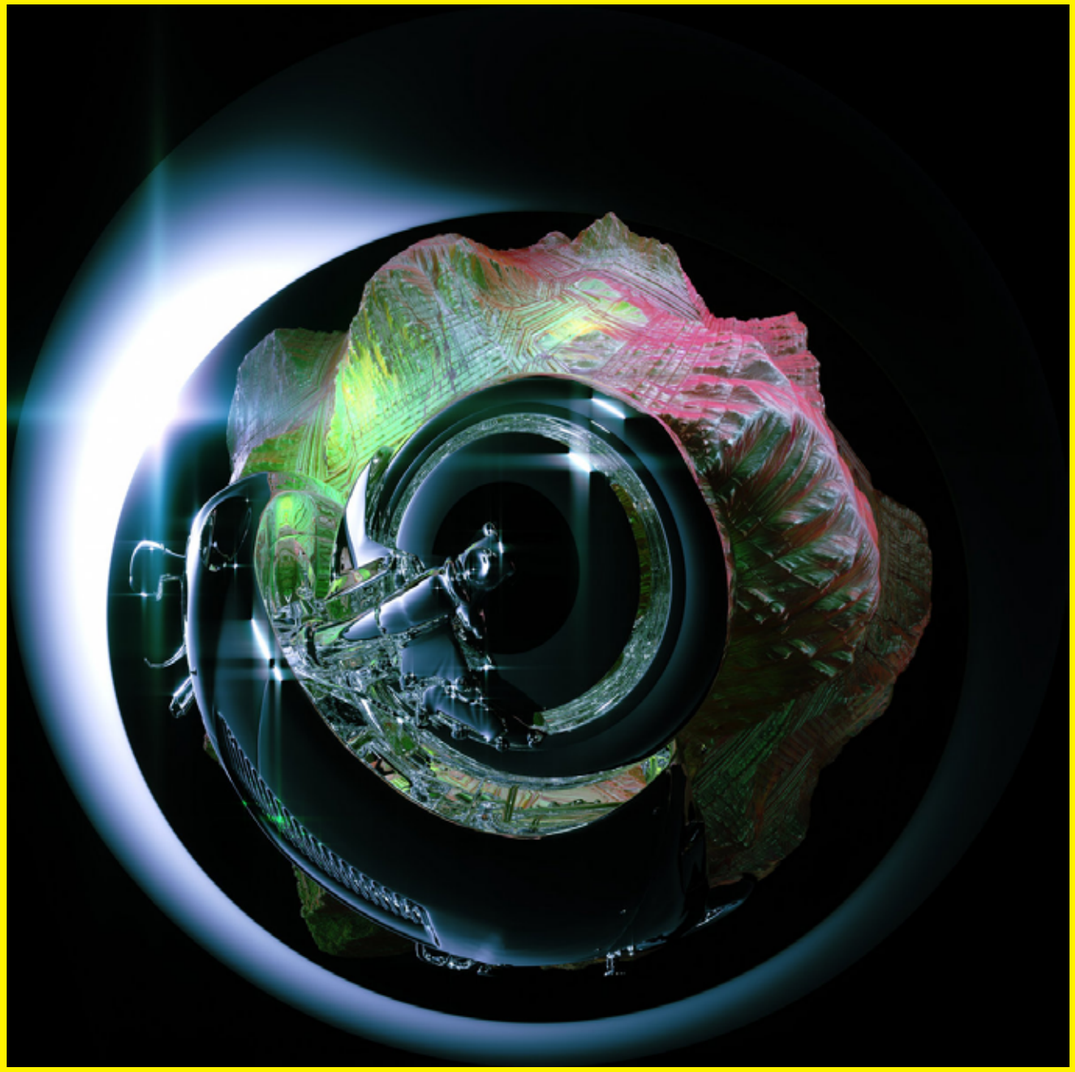
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Hodge - Voice Crash (Timedance)

Artwork by Leeza Pritychenko

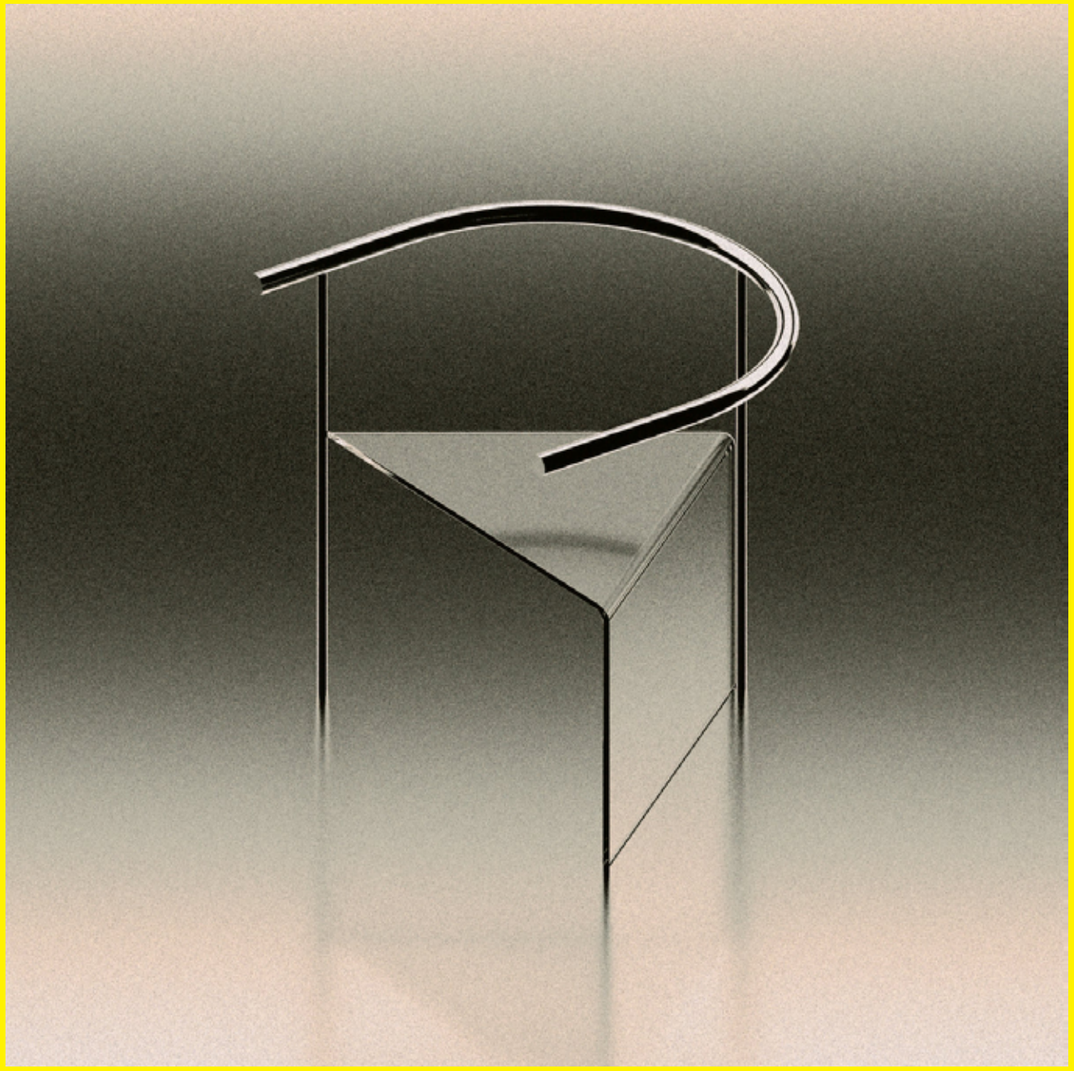
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Ital Tek - Timeproof

Artwork by Nicholas Law

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James Holden - Imagine This Is A High Dimensional Space Of All Possibilities

Artwork by Jorge Velez

Curated by Hari Hari



Javano - SIM017 - Scum EP (Soul In Motion Records)

Artwork by Andre Hemer

Curated by Takk Iori



Javier Hernando - Dómina Esteléctrica

Artwork by Ángel Lalinde

Curated by Dum Dum from NZ9



John Frusciante - : I I . (Acid Test)

Artwork by Lastminutepanic

Curated by Dum Dum from NZ9



Jouska - Suddenly My Mind is Blank

Artwork by Ruth Emilie Rustad Martinsen

Curated by Aurora Mora



JPEGMAFIA x Danny Brown - SCARING THE HOES

Artwork by JPEGMAFIA

Curated by Monkey



Kai Campos & Mount Kimbie - City Planning (Deluxe)

Artwork by Kai Campos

Curated by Obak



Katie Gately - Fawn / Brute

Artwork from unkwnown source (unsigned drawings with more than 100 years)

Curated by Aurora



Kelela - Raven (Warp Records)

Artwork by Hendrik Schneider

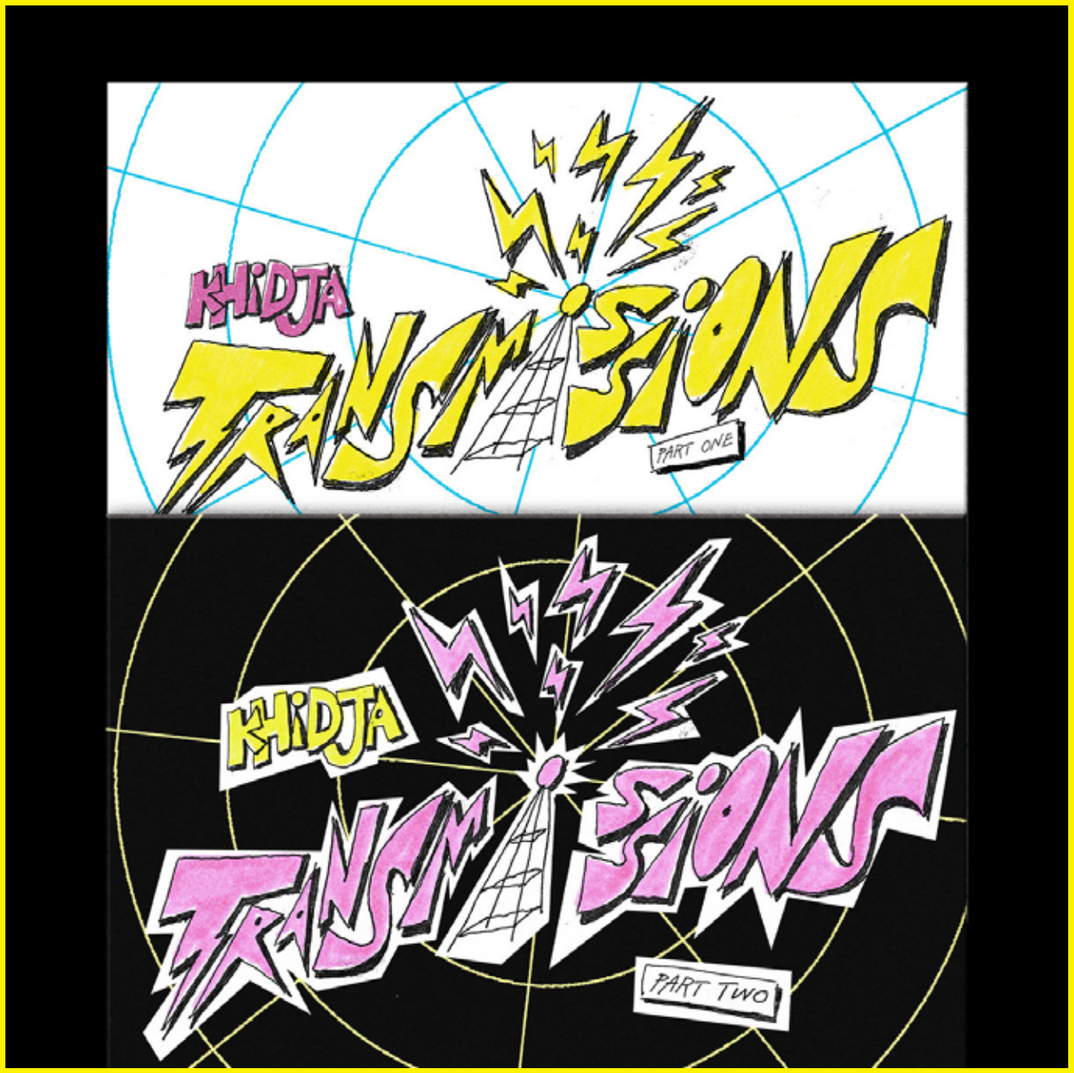
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Khidja - Transmissions Part 1&2

Artwork by Angus Plunkett

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Lee Gamble - Models

Artwork by Dave Gasgarth

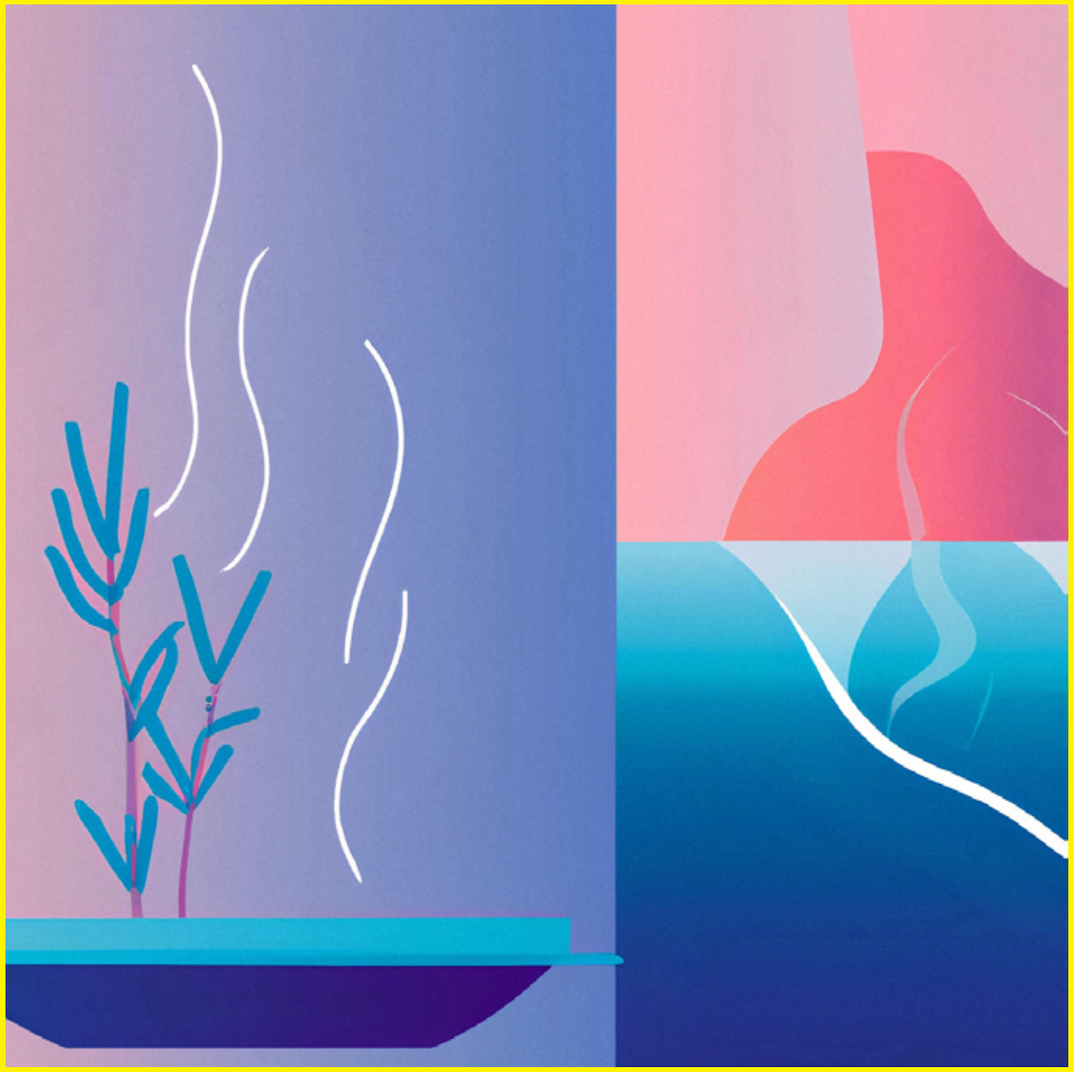
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Lee Hannah - Thermal Pool

Artwork by Lee Hannah

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Lord Of The Isles & Ellen Renton - My Noise is Nothing

Artwork by Noah Baker

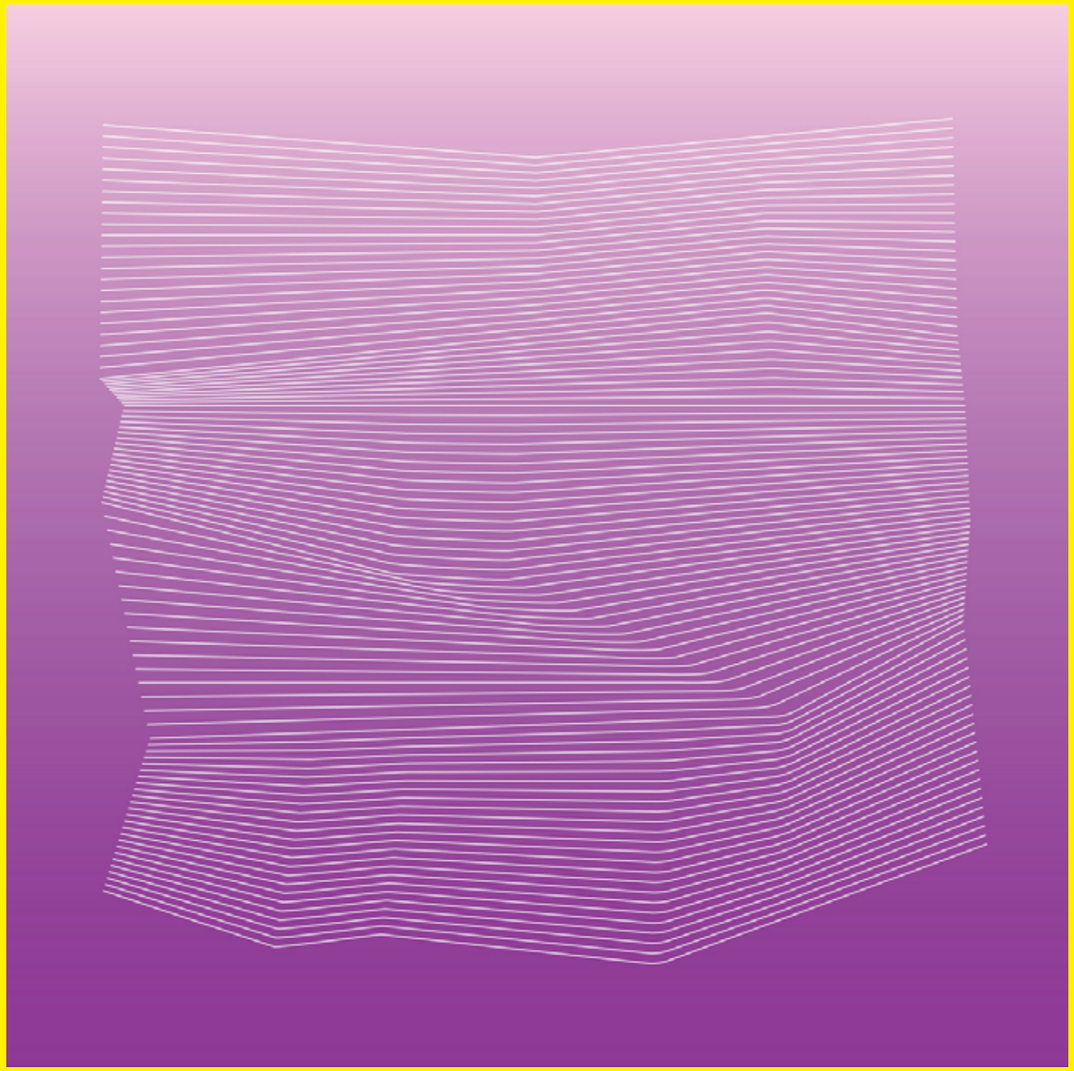
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loscil // lawrence english - Colours Of Air

Artwork by loscil

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Lucy Liyou - Dog Dreams

Artwork by Irene Pak

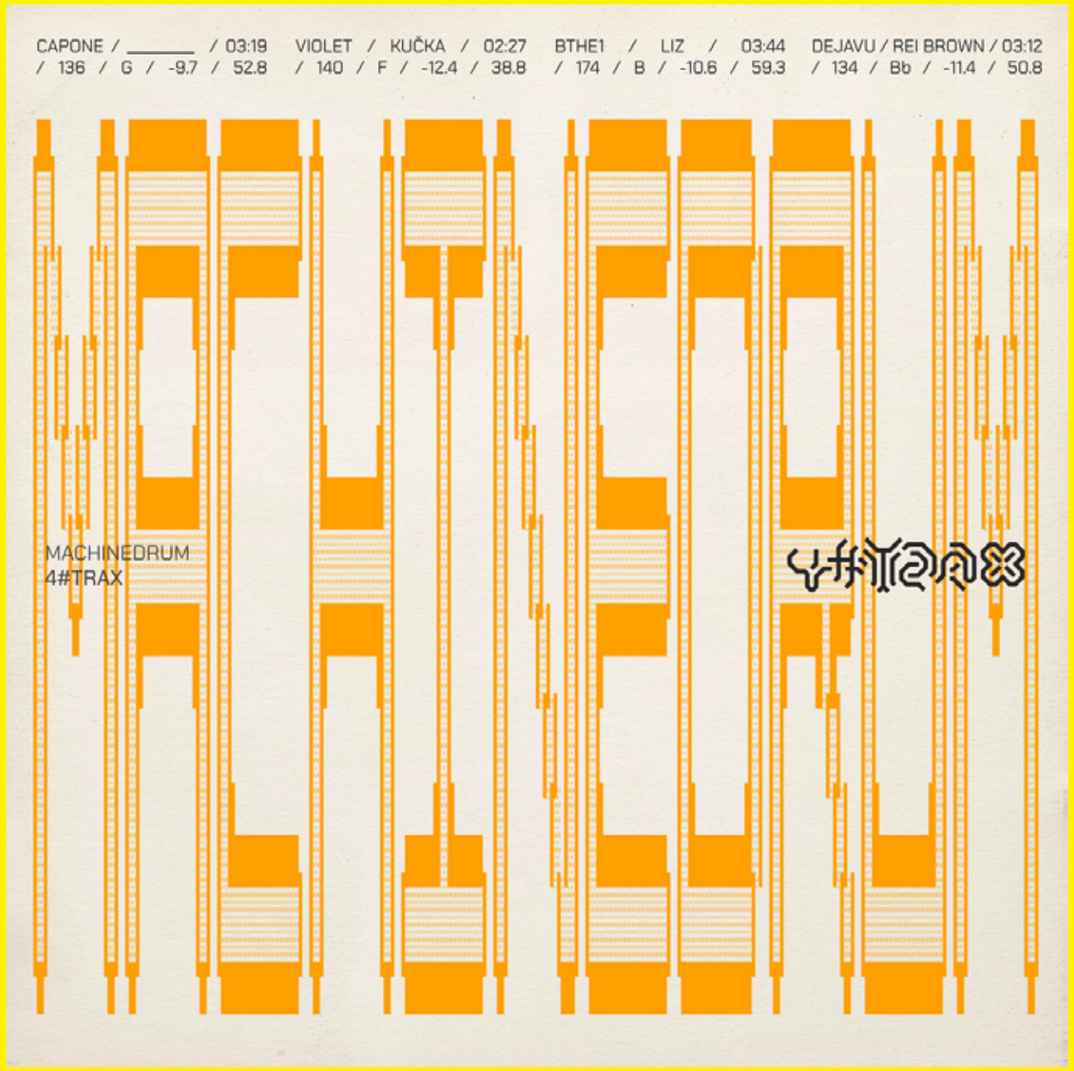
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Machinedrum - 4#TRAX (Ninja Tune)

Artwork by Joe Durnan, Typography by Ian Anderson

Curated by Takk Iori



maniken05 - 777

Curated by Monkey



Marcel Dettman - Electric Drive (Fabric Records)

Curated by Hari Hari



Marina Herlop - Nekkuja

Artwork by Marina Herlop

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MARMO - Epistolae

Artwork by Marco Maldarella

Curated by Babar



Martin Dupont - Kintsugi

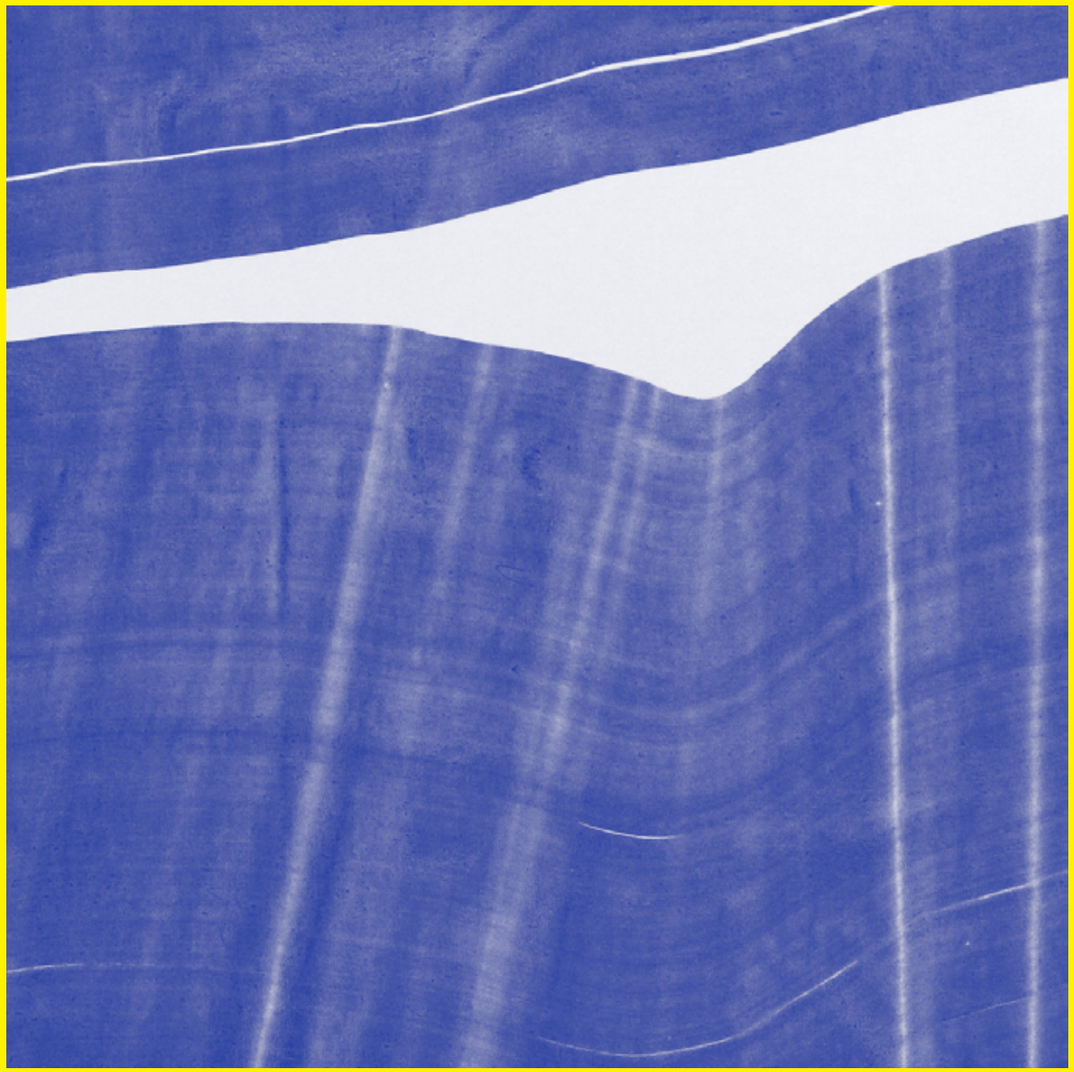
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Martinou - Chiral (Nous'klaer Audio)

Artwork by Romee van Oers

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Matthew Herbert - The Horse

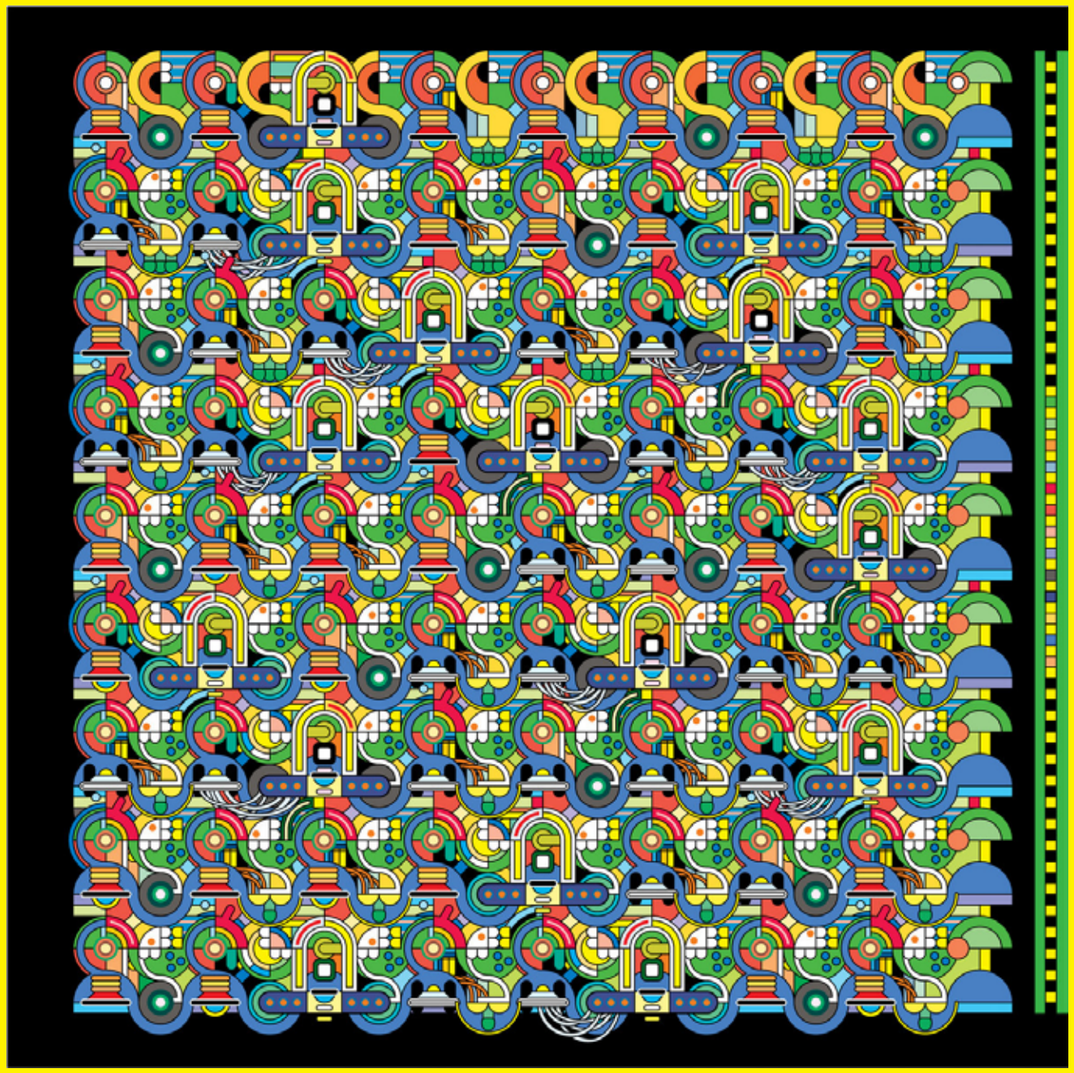
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Max Cooper - Motif

Artwork by Mykola Haleta

Curated by RL



Melati ESP - hipernatural

Artwork by Kazuhiro Aihara

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Metrist - Pollen. Pt. III

Artwork by Harry Butt

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Misha - Question

Artwork by Mitch Hall & Nico H. Brausch

Curated by Letung



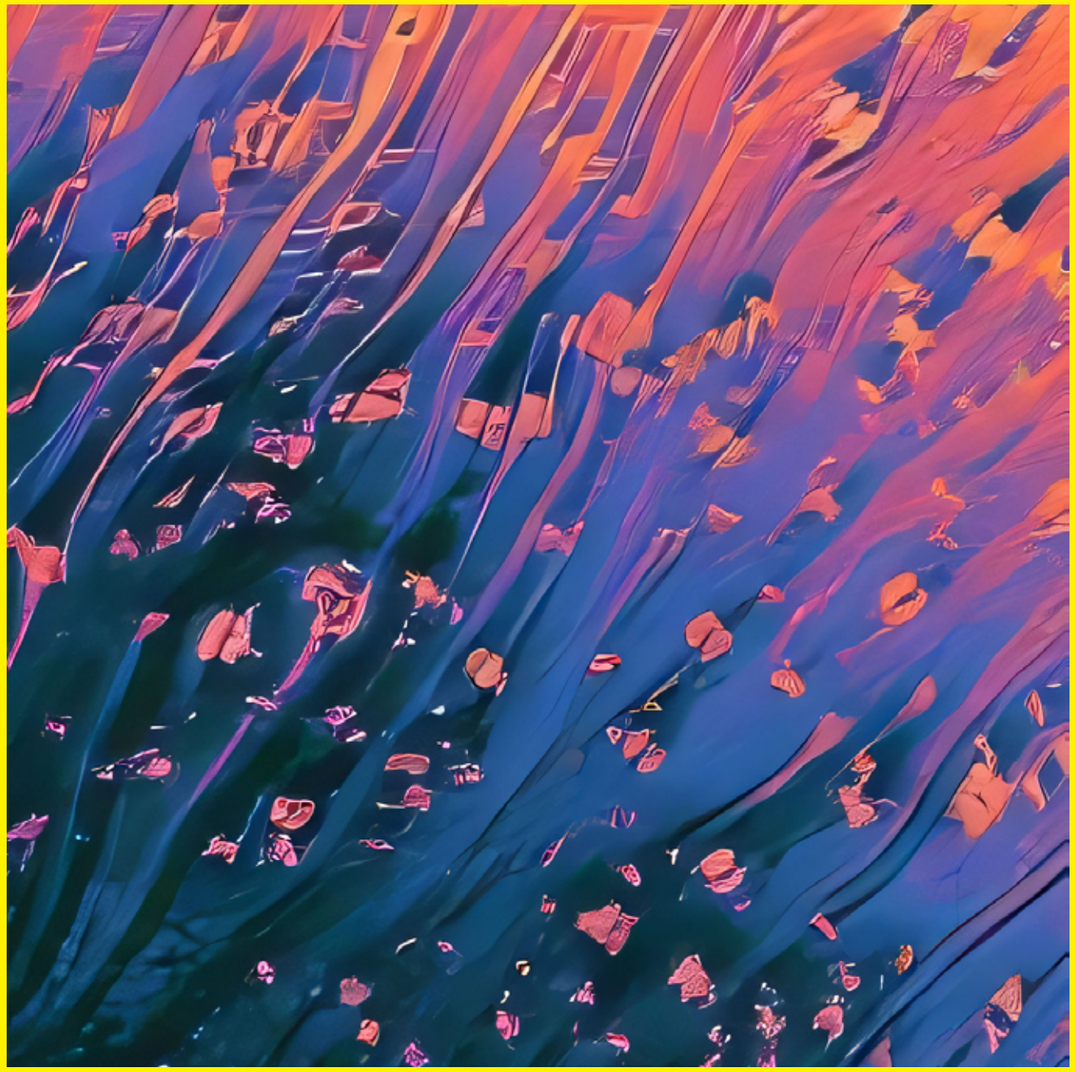
Moderat - II (10th Anniversary Sped-up Edition)

Curated by Obak



Nadia Struiwigh - Pax Aurora Remixes (Nous'klaer Audio)

Curated by Takk Iori



Nathan Fake - Crystal Vision

Curated by Aurora Mora



Next Wave Acid Punx DEUX - Maelstrom & Louisahhh - Hate Machine * (Curses)

Curated by Hari Hari



Night Slugs Classix Remixed (Night Slugs)

Artwork by Joh000_ x Sushon-org

Curated by Dosha



NTFO - NTF999 (Yoyaku Digital Store)

Curated by Obak



O'o - Touche Deluxe Edition

Artwork by George Suter

Curated by Aurora Mora



Odalie - Puissante Vulnérabilité

Artwork by Alma Alta

Curated by Lauseek



Olof Dreijer & Mount Sims - Souvenir

Artwork by Aïcha Snoussi

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Pavel Milyakov - project Mirrors (buttechno)

Artwork by Pavel Milyakov

Curated by Monkey



Orbital - Optical Delusion

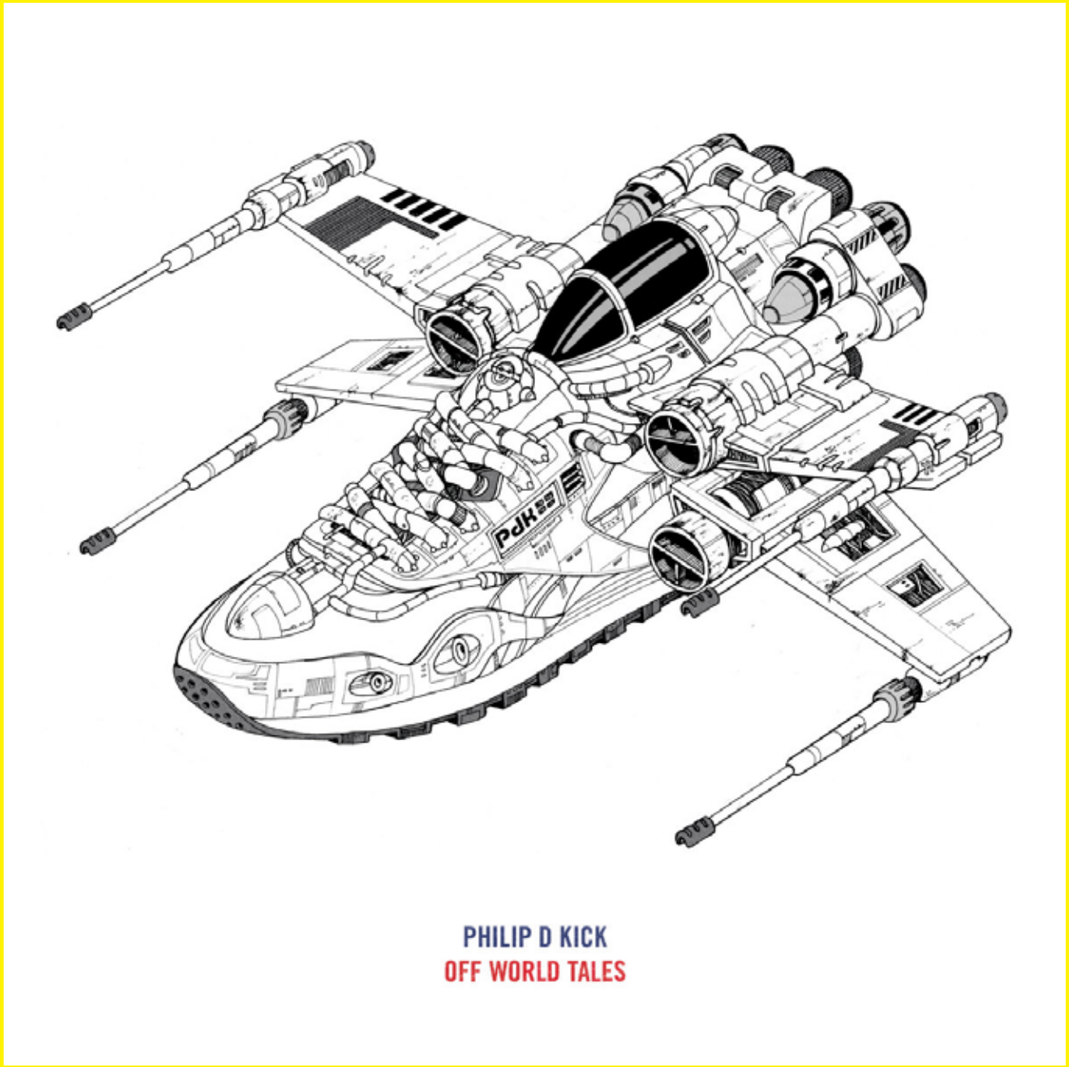
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Philip D Kick - Off World Tales (Om Unit)

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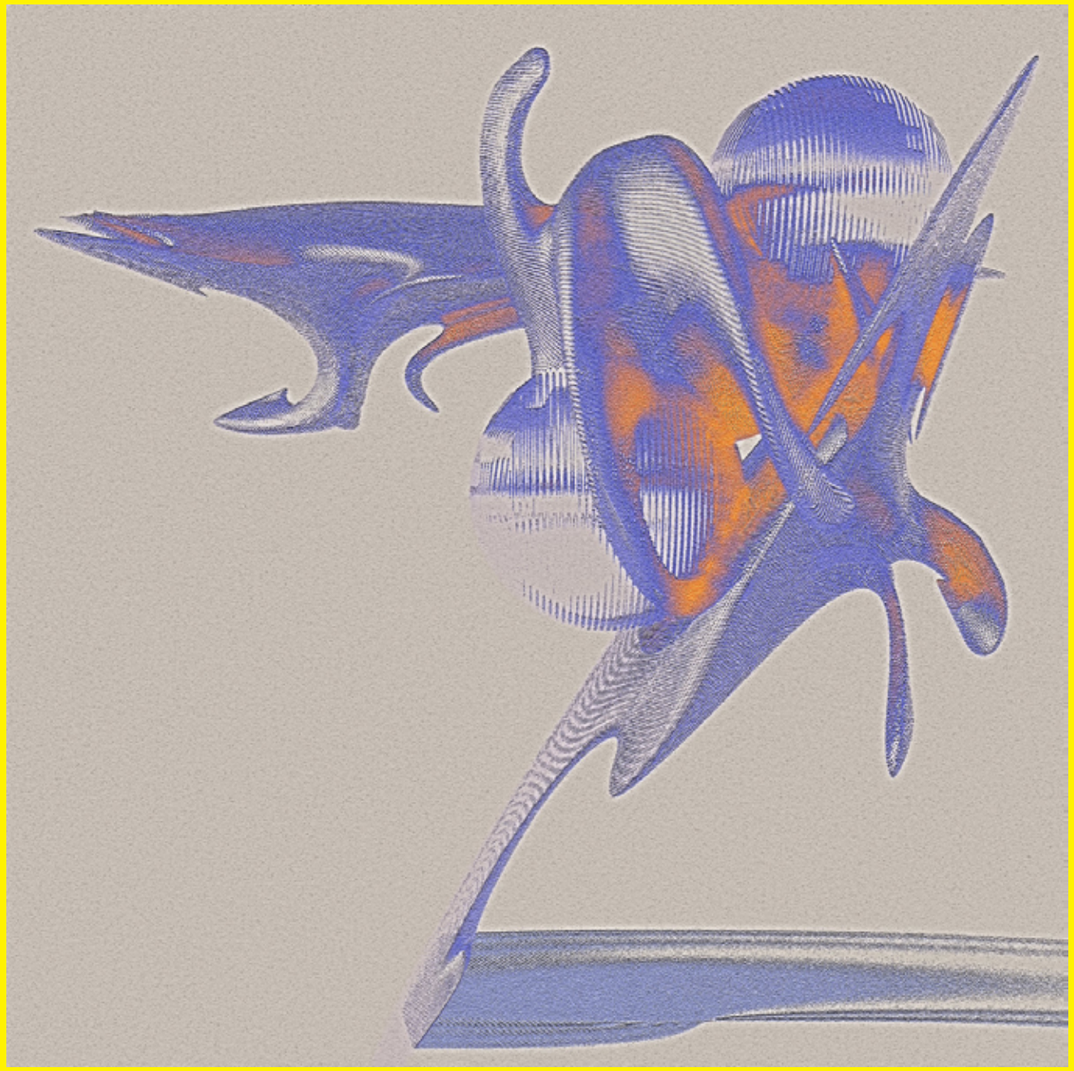
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Prettybwoy, rRoxymore, Delay Grounds - Upward Current

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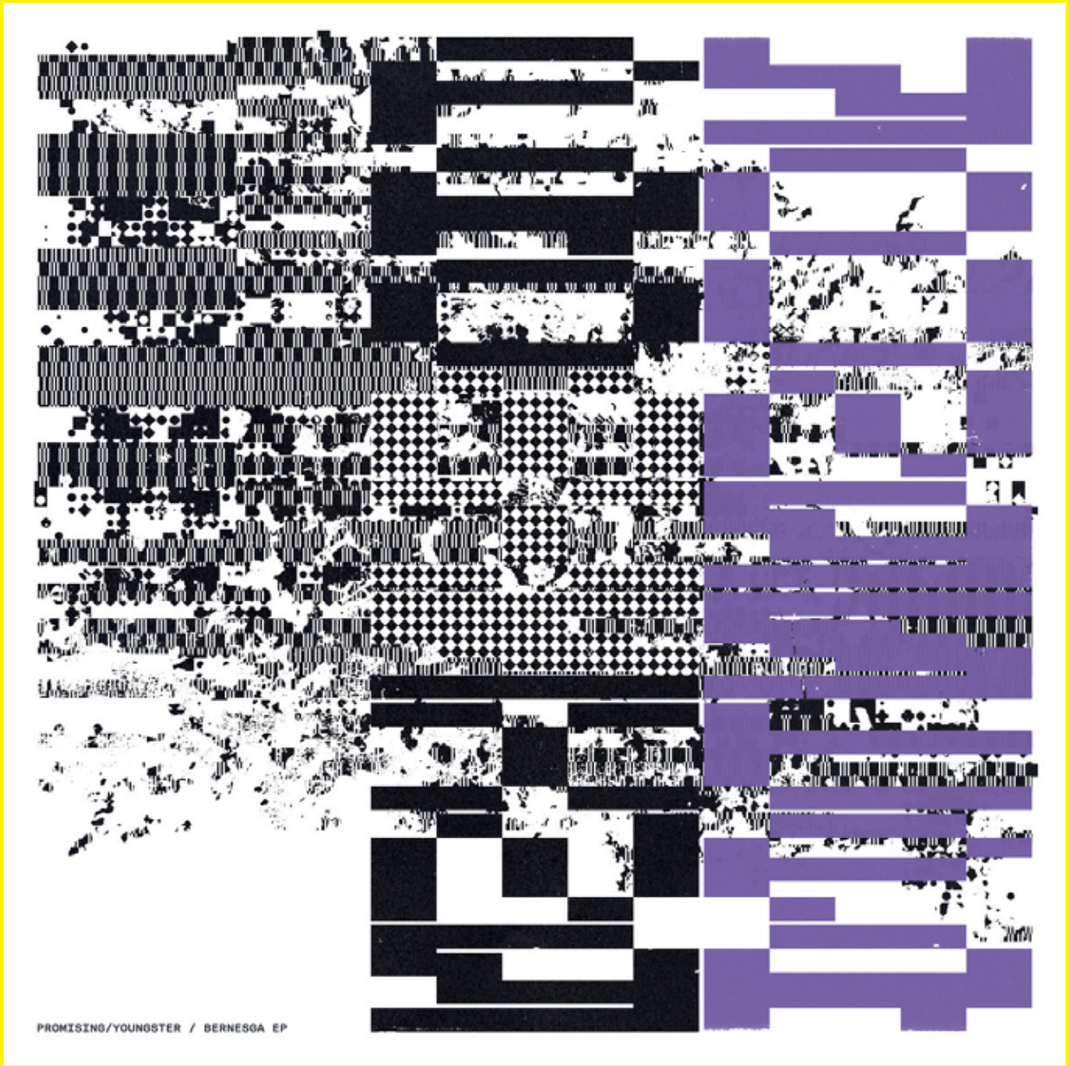
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Promising/Youngster - [AF052] Bernesga EP (Analogical Force)

Artwork by Geometric Love

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Raj Pannu - Past Crimes (To Pikap Records)

Artwork by Tom French

Curated by Takk Iori



REZZETT - Meant Like This

Artwork by REZZETT

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Rhyw - Honey Badger

Artwork by Sean Bell

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Rod Modell - AI-35 Ghost Light (Astral Industries)

Artwork by Theo Ellsworth

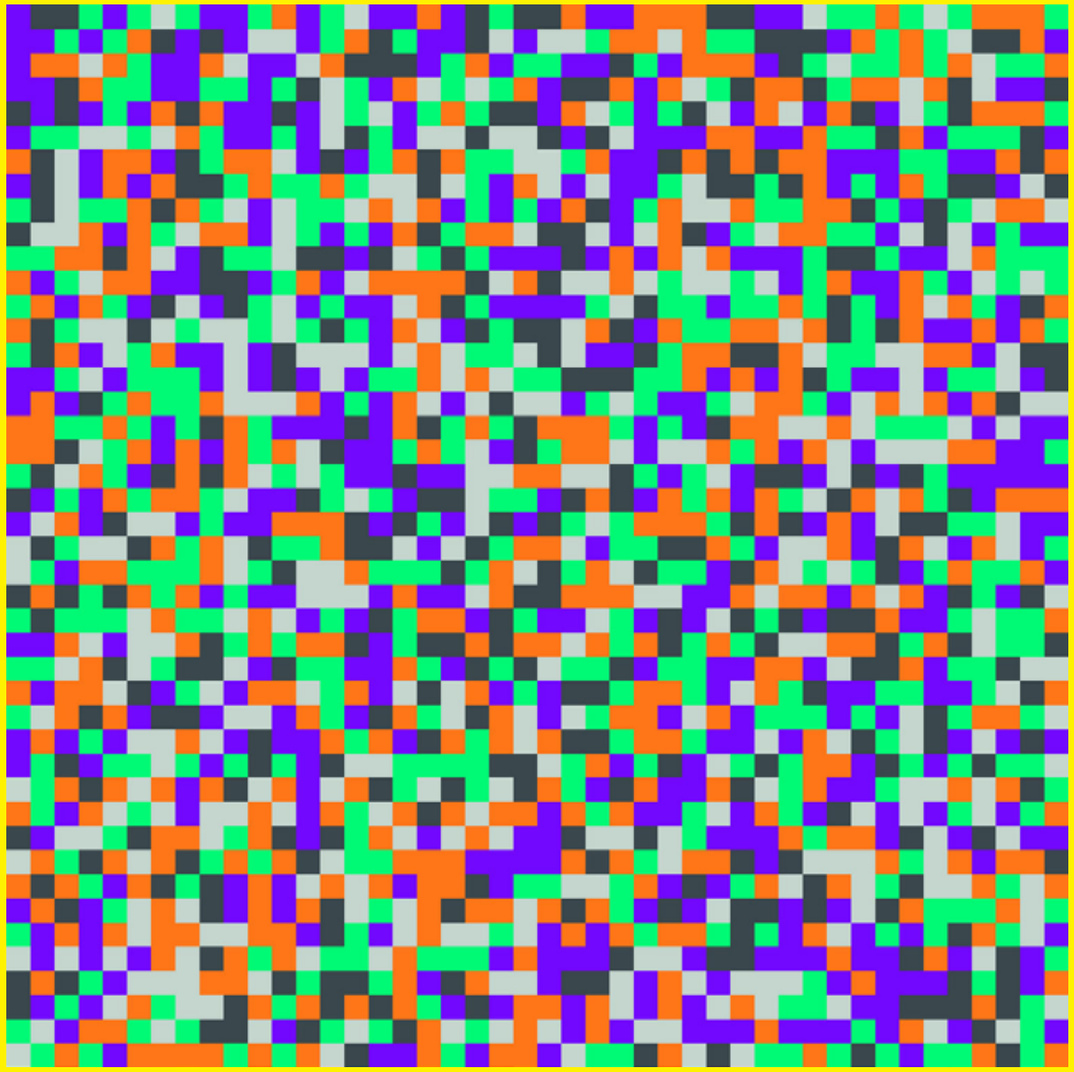
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Rod Modell - Captagon (Tresor Records)

Artwork by Onlab

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Rrose - Please Touch (Eaux)

Artwork by Rrose

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RRUCCULLA - Zeru Freq, (Lapsus)

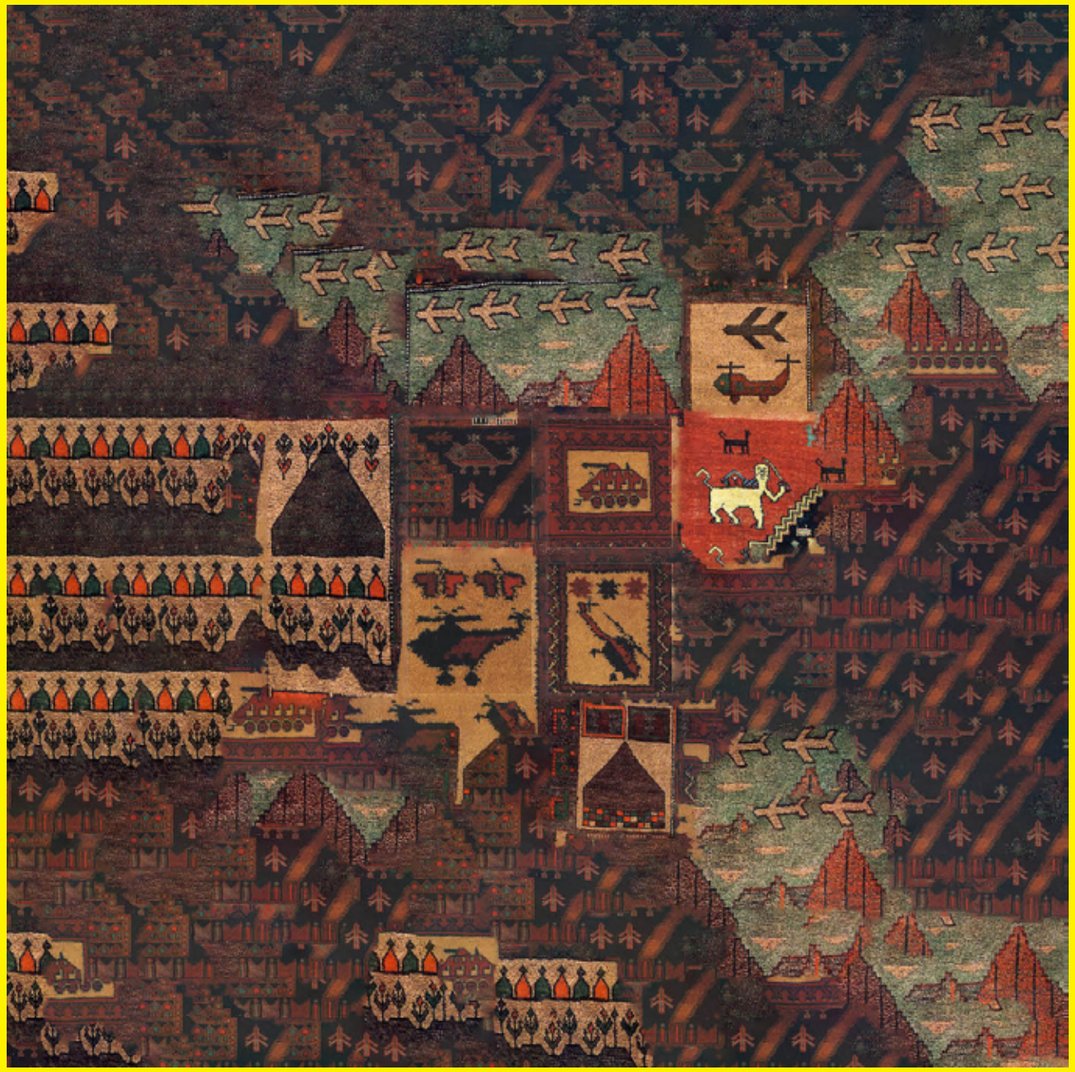
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Saint Abdullah & Eomac - Chasing Stateless (Planet Mu Records Ltd.)

Curated by Monkey



Salay - Now Fly (Dome of Doom Records)

Artwork by Salay

Curated by Dosha



seb wildblood - separation anxiety (All My Thoughts)

Artwork by Jayson Payne

Curated by Dosha



Shed - Towards East

Curated by Hari Hari



Simo Cell - Cuspide Des Sirènes (Temet)

Artwork by Riniifish

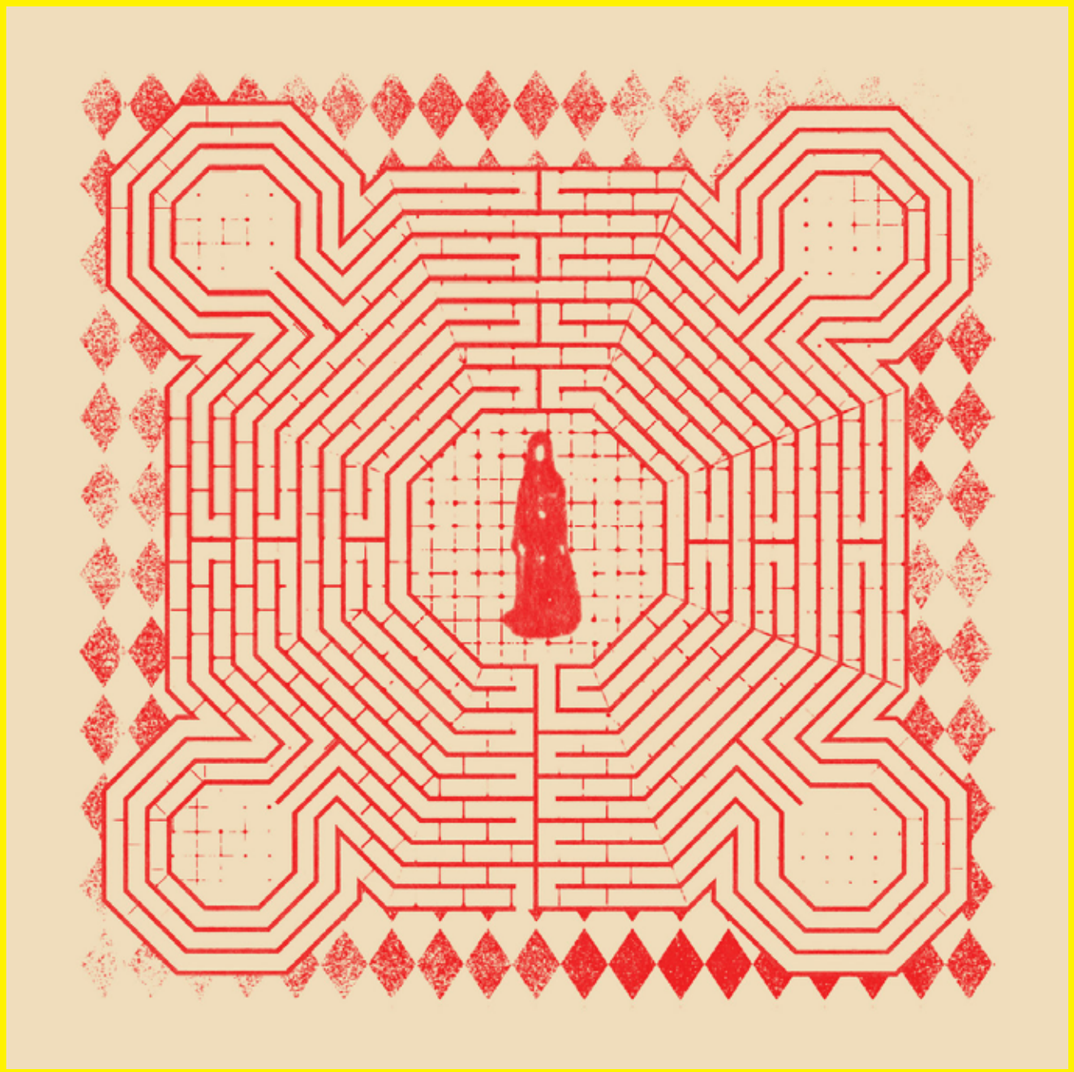
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Slowdive - everything is alive (Dead Oceans)

Artwork by Ingrid Pop

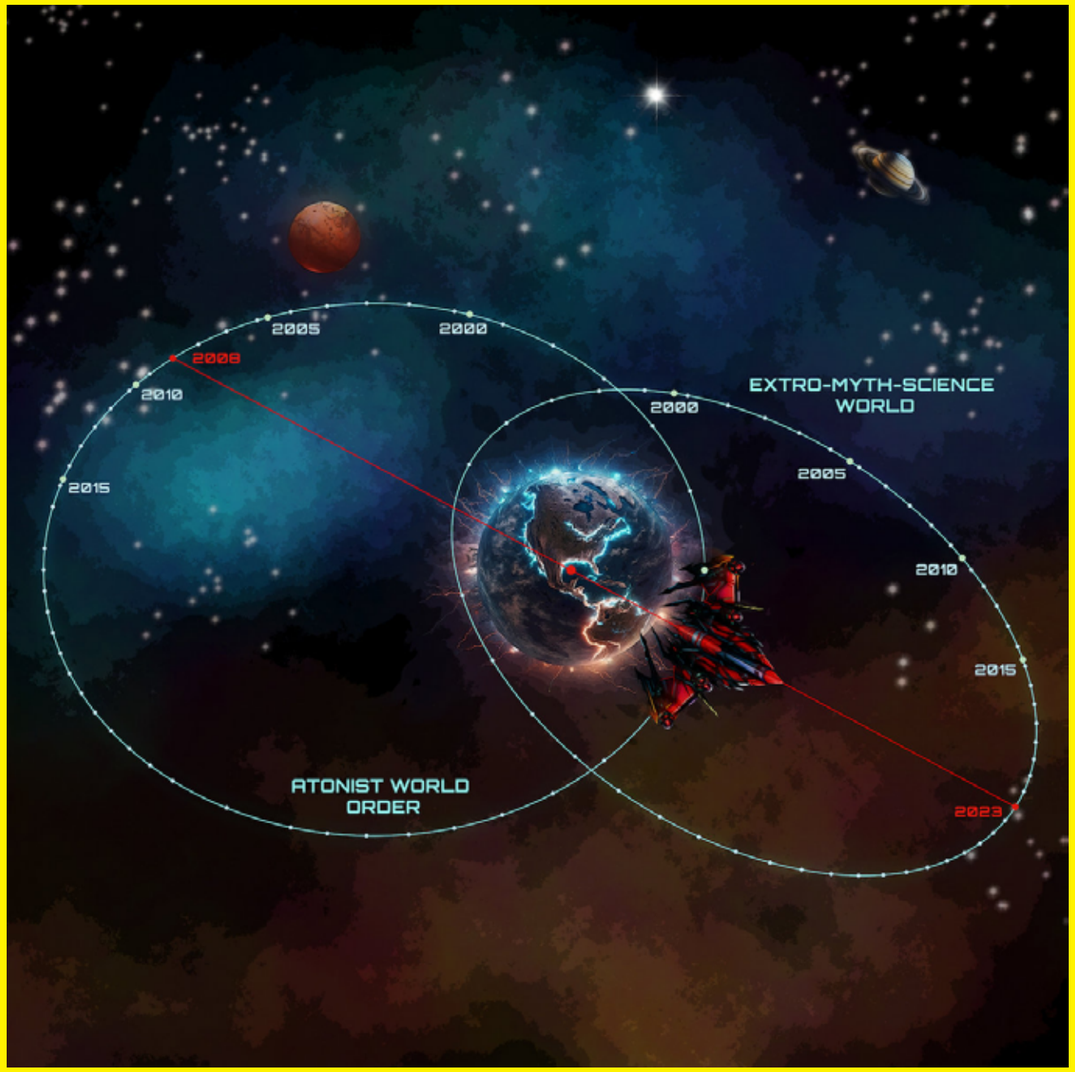
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Speaker Music - Techxodus (Planet Mu Records Ltd.)

Artwork by Abu Qadim Haqq, Design by Ting Ding

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Stasis - Quondam Sequences (De:tuned)

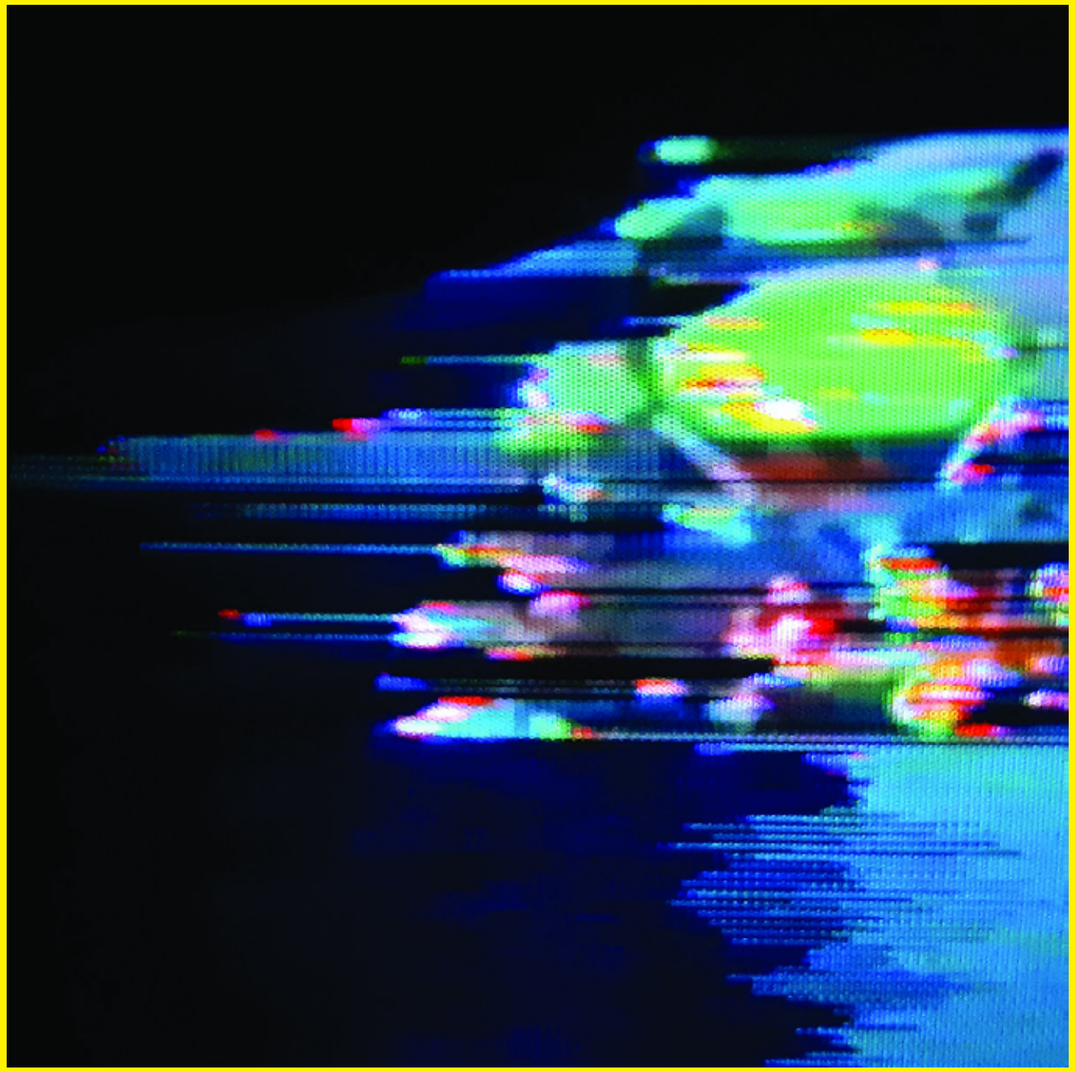
Artwork by Openmind (aka Strictly Kev, DJ Food)

Curated by Dosha



Strategy - Graffiti In Space (Constellation Tatsu)

Curated by Takk Iori



Sun Araw & Tarzana - AQUA X: Super Coracle / Tarzana Split (KEROXEN)

Artwork by Cameron Stallones and Spencer Clark

Curated by Babar



Tammo Hesselink - Beam (Nous'klaer Audio)

Artwork by Tim Mastik

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Tom Carruthers - Future Wave (L.I.E.S. Records)

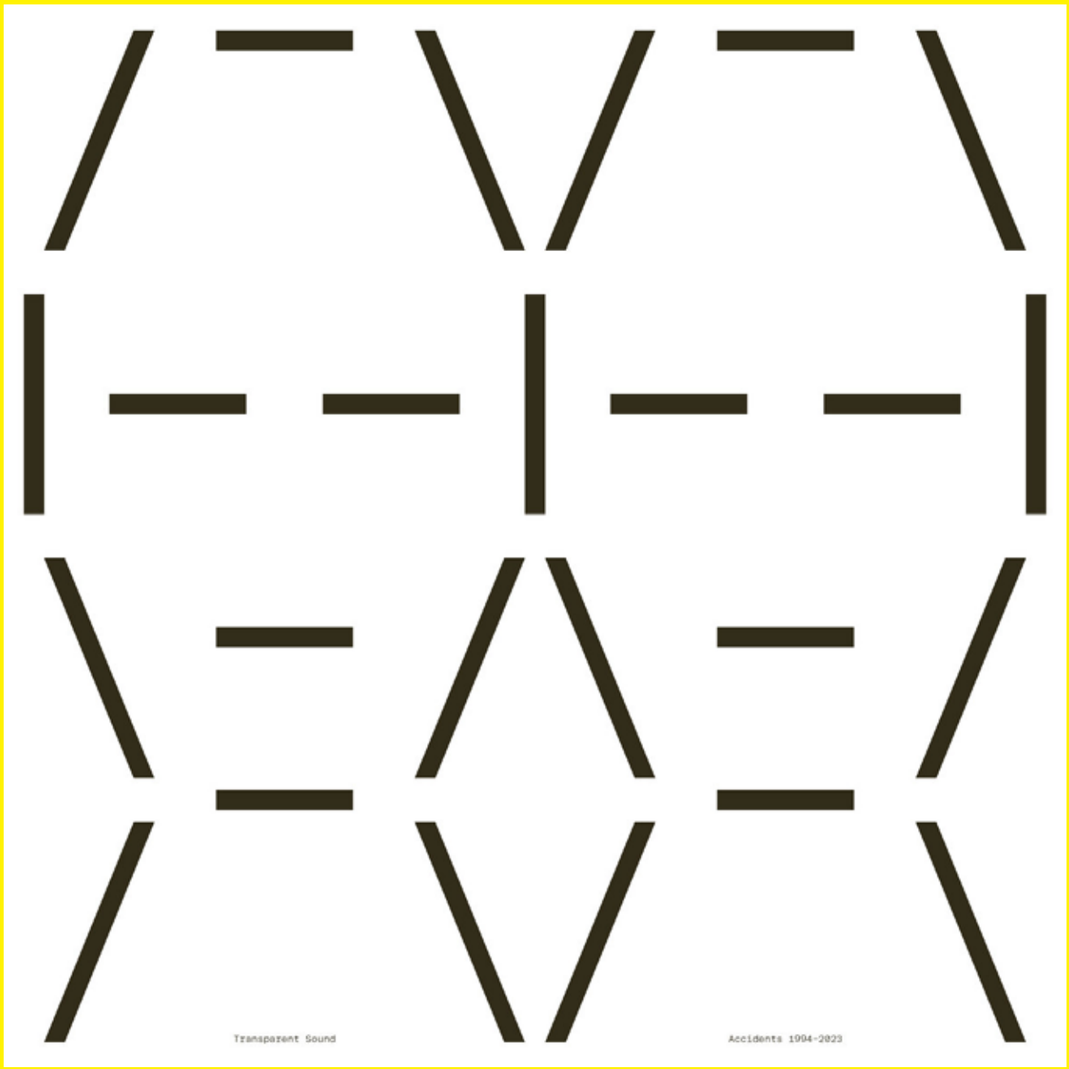
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Transparent Sound - Accidents 1994-2023 (Tresor Records)

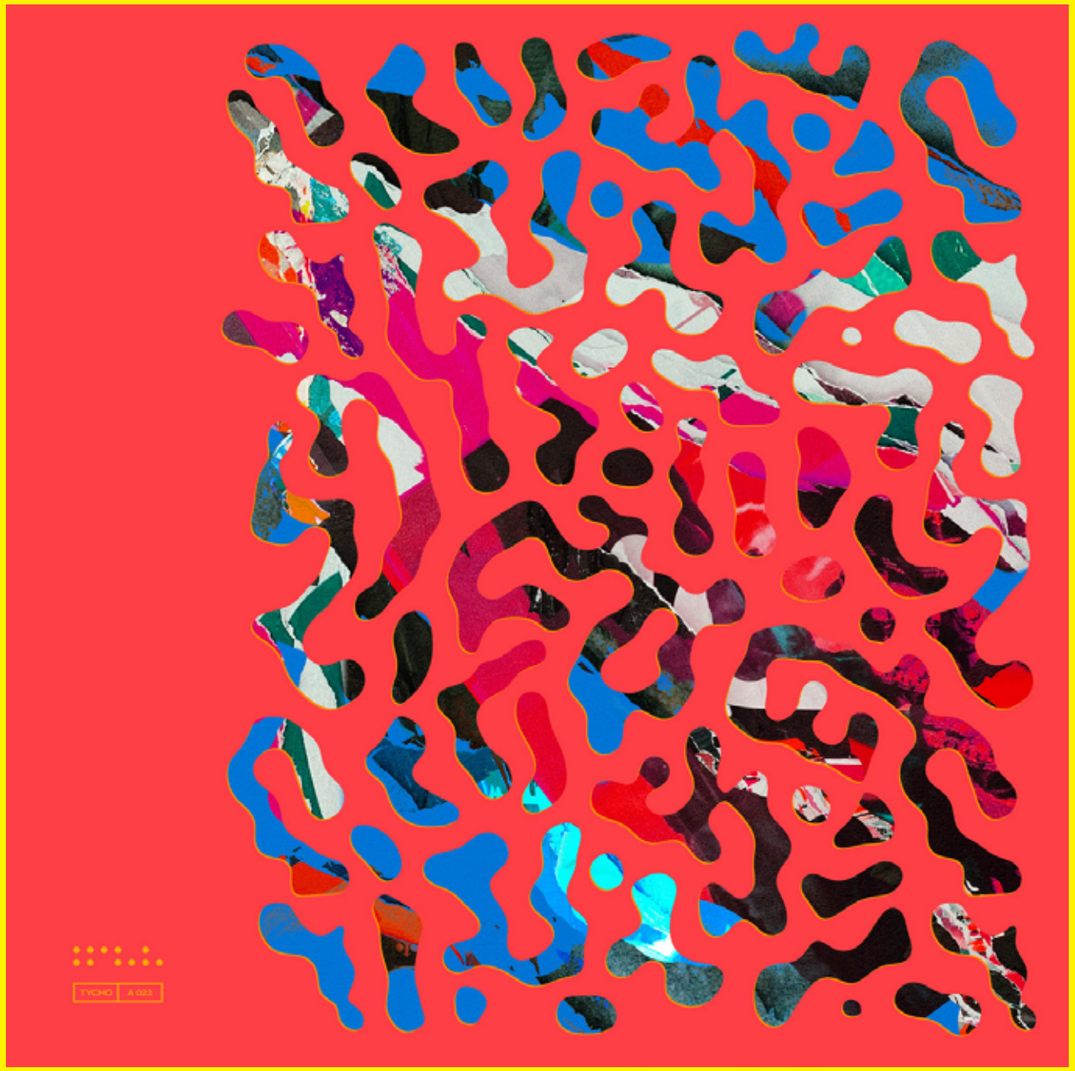
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Tycho - Time To Run (Ninja Tunes)

Curated by Takk Iori



upsammy - Germ in a Population of Buildings (PAN)

Artwork by Jonathan Castro Alejos and Tharim Cornelisse

Curated by Lauseek



Various Artists - Compilation CJA 04 (Tresor Records)

Artwork by Julien Demeuzois

Curated by Obak



Various Artists - [GWGT143] CEASEFIRE Urgent Need Compilation

Artwork by Lina Hallberg and Usiel Bautista

Curated by Takk Iori



Various Artists - Intenxiones en el ubahn (Jupiter4)

CGI Art by Narf & Graphic Design by Natalia Dymkowski

Curated by Monkey



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Various Artists - Unexpected Electric (Black Catalogue)

Curated by Dosha



Various Artists - yet (Tresor Records)

Artwork by Malik Arbab

Curated by Dosha



Vecdaud - Sunoan EP (Soma Tune)

Artwork by Salih Gafer

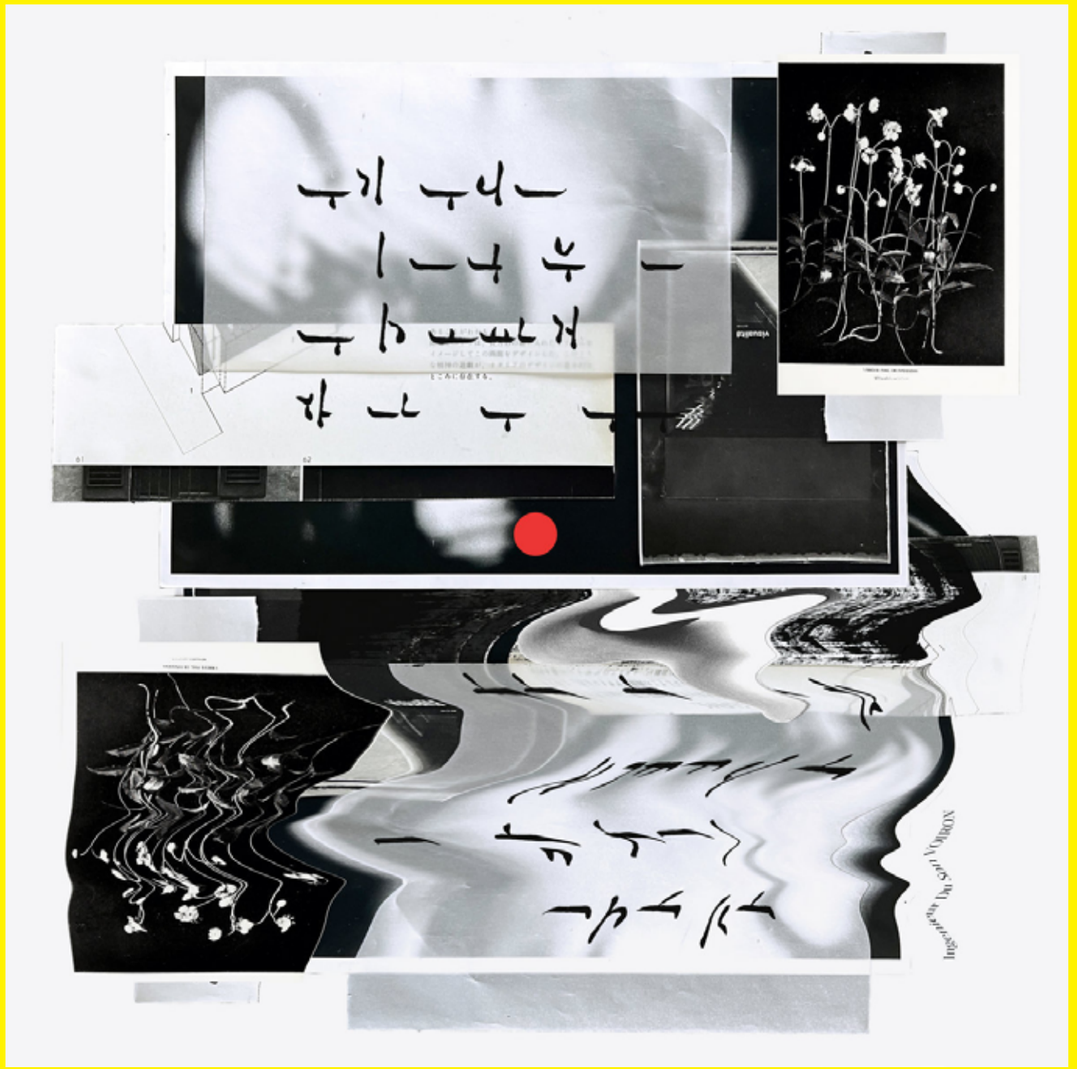
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Voiron - [AF049LP] Ingenieur du Son (Analogical Force)

Artwork by Acid Hazel

Curated by Takk Iori



Voodoos and Taboos - [V&T004] All Your Wishes Were Wrong Ep

Artwork by Nico Myakawa

Curated by Obak



VTSS - Make You Scream (yunè pinku Remix)

Curated by Hari Hari



Wata Igarashi - Agartha (Kompakt)

Artwork by Ayako Jaruta

Curated by Dum Dum from NZ9



Weval - Dreaming (Ninja Tunes)

Curated by Obak



Wordcolour - Ratios II (Houndstooth)

Artwork by Roberto Rosolin

Curated by Lauseek



Yaeji - With A Hammer (XL Recordings)

Curated by Takk Iori



Young Fathers - Heavy Heavy (Ninja Tune)

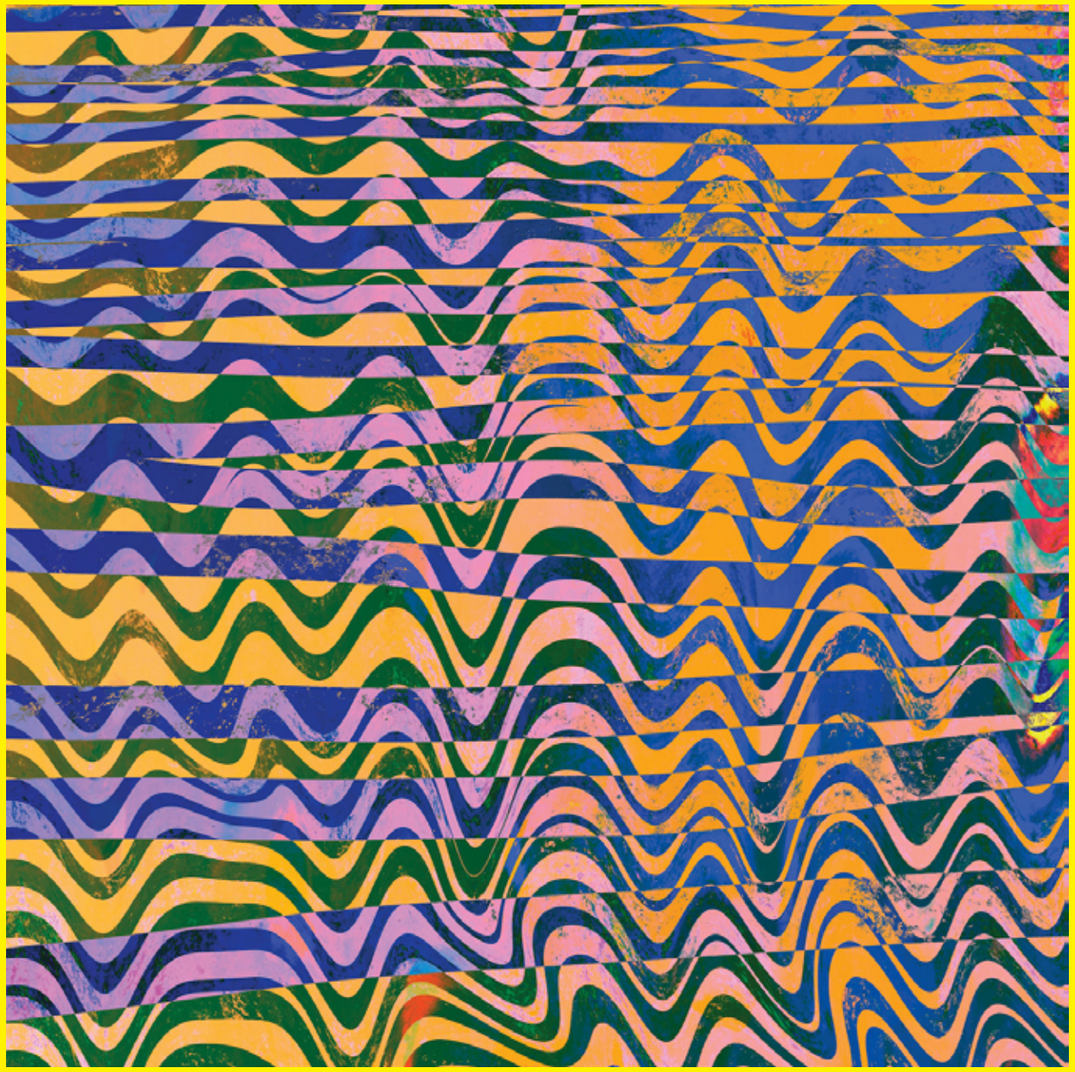
Artwork by Hingston Studio

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Yushh - Look Mum No Hands (Wisdom Teeth)

Curated by Monkey

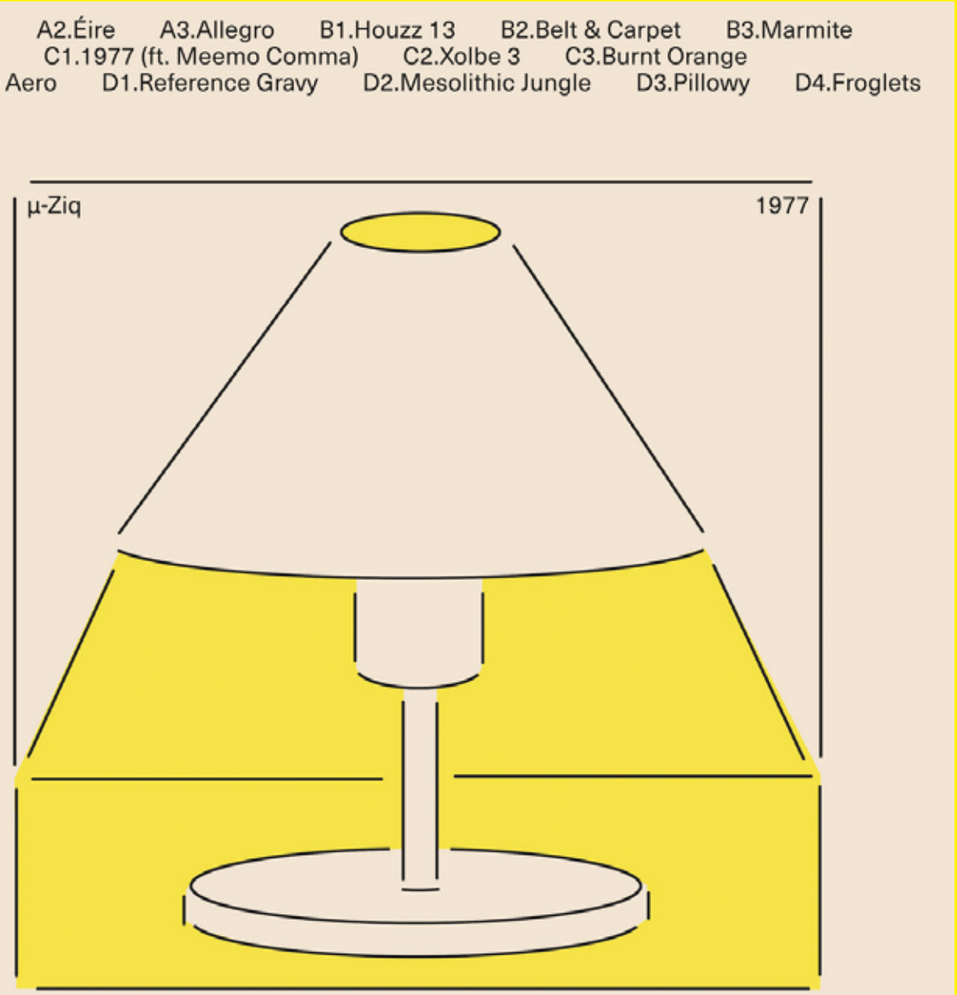


µ-Ziq - 1977

Artwork by José Quintana

Curated by Lauseek

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B4.Asda C1.1977 (ft. Meemo Comma) C2.Xolbe 3 C3.Burnt Orange
C4.Lime Aero D1.Reference Gravy D2.Mesolithic Jungle D3.Pillowy D4.Froglets



Aphex Twin | Rhyw | Nadia Struiwigh | Katie Gately | Tom Carruthers | Escaflowne | Henry Greenleaf | Sun Araw & Tarzana | Melati ESP | Philip D Kick | Girlcop | Nathan Fake | Promising/Youngster | Tammo Hesselink | Cru Servers | Lee Hannah | Arlo Parks | berlioz | Hodge | Yushh | Young Fathers | Wordcolour | Wata Igarashi | Khidja | Rrose | Rod Modell | maniken05 | MARMO | Coco Bryce | NTFO | Strategy | Various Artists | RRUCCULLA | Salay | Slowdive | Olof Dreijer & Mount Sims | Marcel Dettmann | Byron the Aquarius | µ-Ziq | Various Artists | Marina Herlop | Chris Korda | Tycho | Saint Abdullah & Eomac | Ital Tek | Clouds | VTSS | Jouska | Aroma Nice | Lucy Liyou | Shed | Ioscil // lawrence english | Metrist | Beta Librae | Machinedrum | Lee Gamble | O'o | REZZETT | Dauwd | Vecdaud | Matthew Herbert | Rod Modell | Orbital | Dario Zenker | Facets | Fluctuosa | Night Slugs | Dream Dolphin | GLUEMEGA | Function | Max Cooper | Various Artists | Fever Ray | Speaker Music | Voodoos and Taboos | upsammy | Yaeji | Weval | Kai Campos & Mount Kimbie | Actress | Aromáticas | Odalie | Chrizpy Chriz | Martin Dupont | Prettybwoy, rRoxymore, Delay Grounds | Jupiter4 | Gacha Bakradze | Misha | Moderat | B4Lasers | Raj Pannu | John Frusciante | James Holden | Lord Of The Isles & Ellen Renton | Dasha Rush | Javier Hernando | Pavel Milyakov | Simo Cell | Criminal Justice Act | Voiron | JPEGMAFIA x Danny Brown | Ayesha | Batu | Anthony Naples | Kelela | Javano | CORIN | Dominik Eulberg | Next Wave Acid Punx DEUX | Transparent Sound | Stasis | Eph3mme ft VON Krup | seb wildblood | Frankie Rose | Martinou | Floating Points | ASC & Semblance, Nuversion, Morphing Territories, Polygonia | Christine and the Queens | BASHKKA

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