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NM013 - Psychon - Apocalypse has been dubbed the weekend pill

On November 16 the Dutch recordlabel Narrowminded and the US label Scarcelight release the cd 'Apocalypse has been dubbed the weekend pill' by the Dutch group Psychon. 'Apocalypse has been dubbed the weekend pill' is the first cd by the group formerly known as Psychon Troopers, an incarnation that delivered six cd's.

The musicians in Psychon are Lars Meijer, Jantijn Prins and Coen Polack. Lars Meijer and Coen Polack are also in charge of the Narrowminded recordlabel and the two of them make music as Living Ornaments.

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Prince's brand of funk, rock according to Guided by Voices, German and British electronica and the free spirit of John Coltrane are but a small taste of influences that make up the new Psychon cd. 'Apocalypse has been dubbed the weekend pill' has been recorded on and off over the last two years. As a result two years of collective musical influences and ideas have been given a place in this music. Freejazz, krautrock, ambient, electronica and arenarock are concurring to remain in focus and while doing so they form interesting hybrids. To give an example: this cd without a doubt contains the most exciting guitar solo in electronica today. The titles of the tracks on this record originate in spam-mail messages. With some amazement the members of Psychon have collected the most amazing mail-subjects and advertisements from the world of gloomy pharmacy, penile enlargement and corporate selfhelp-courses.

Psychon

Psychon is the new outfit of Meijer, Polack and Prins who previously recorded six cd's as Psychon Troopers. The group formed out of a need to turn their collective interest in other people's music into new music of their own. In doing so, they noticed that some of those interests were very opposite but nonetheless very fruitful. Improvisation was the method they chose on their first six cd's, but 'Apocalypse has been dubbed the weekend pill' is entirely composed. Still, the similarity and non-similarity in their individual musical tastes, provide the basis for making music. Psychon Troopers have done several live performances in the past. Psychon has decided to be a studio project only.

Narrowminded

The Narrowminded record label has a very full agenda at the moment. In the near future two rock albums will see the light of day: one by Gone Bald from Amsterdam and one by a band called Petrified Host. Narrowminded will also continue with the succesful series of Split LP's and other more electronic releases. Narrowminded artists are planning performances in and outside the Netherlands at the moment.

Scarcelight

Formed in 2001 and has since released 27 titles on a variety of formats, ranging from 3"CDR's, free mp3 downloads, and compact discs. Highlights in the Scarcelight catalog include releases by New Zealand's "Birchville Cat Motel", the first American release by "Evol", and the debut full-length for "Later Days". These titles appear alongside many lesser known, but equally talented artists. Nearly all of the Scarcelight roster play live on a regular basis, and most artists are active for many other noteworthy labels across the world. For the future Scarcelight plans to continue searching for challenging music and to work with artists who are forging their own path within the independent music community.