Gregor Nikolai Hilbe BOWW Tribal Poetry: The Tree



This record marks the first gathering of the BOWW tribe founded by Gregor Nikolai Hilbe in the woods, connecting the rhythms of the trees with the poetry of their members' origins: the arborescence going eternally from 1 to 2 to 3 to 2 to 1...

TREE is a 40 minute continuous wave, travelling from the legendary Ombù tree in the middle of Buenos Aires featuring Martin lannaccone, one of Argentina's foremost alternative talents on Cello and Voice, to the South African wood, with improvising freestyle artist/MC Evaron Orange aka Sky189, coming to UK's Sherwood Forest's Major Oak with Kevin Davy, Jamaican-rooted UK trumpeter and vocalist with his warm and soulful sound.

The instrumentation with natural head drums and the cello playing the basslines, gives a very acoustic, natural sound, taking the trip to central european forests Jurassic, Moravian and Black Forest with the music's energy rising continuously to release in the end like a rhythmic wave.

Volker "voux" Böhm's realtime rhythm- and soundshaping with his self-built electronic instruments, combining the source of the acoustic instruments and mixing them with white noise, gives the band a unique dynamic feel and Uli Rennert, Frankfurt born Key- and Improvisation-Wizard blends in with inventive lines on top of the flow.

The 40 minute TREE piece has been played non stop, with no additional recording or programming to what has happened during the hours of trance.

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Gregor Nikolai Hilbe and Martin lannaccone have already received appraisals in press reviews from their former project "Tangocrash" that has received Germany's Worldmusic Price Ruth in 2005 and that was largely supported by doyen Joe Zawinul:

The Guardian (London): "excellent; clever integration of acoustic and electronic sounds"

The Guardian (London): "...sensual album, one of 2008's best." *****

 01 TREE-The Leaf
 16'51

 02 TREE-The Branch
 13'01

 03 TREE-The Root
 08'24

 04 Tribal Poets
 05'17

 05 The Bow
 07'07

The tribal elders:

Gregor Nikolai Hilbe + Drums / Words & Music
Kevin Davy + Trumpet / Voice
Martin Iannaccone + Cello / Voice
Voux Böhm + Realtime Electronica
Uli Rennert + Kevs / Lapsteel Guitar

Evaron Orange "sky189" + Freestyle Lyrics

Music written by Gregor Nikolai Hilbe except "Tribal poets" and "The Bow" by Böhm/Davy/Hilbe/lannaccone/Rennert Poetry by Hilbe/lannaccone/Davy/Orange

Recorded @ Idee und Klang Studios (most ecclectic microphone collection on earth!) by Daniel Dettwiler, Basil Kneubühler & Hannes Kumke and @ Idle Luxury Studios, Union Street, London.

Mixed with love and golden ears by the fantastic /Dietz ("mixedbydietz"!) and mastered with fun and expertise by Martin Scheer @ the Swoon Factory in Vienna.