



TOILING
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SEA OF
TRANQUILITY



Toiling Midgets and Green Monkey Records are proud to announce the release of the new LP, "Sea of Tranquility," a record informed by the past but created looking to the future.

The first taste was the digital single "Arachnid" June 28, 2019. It is a dense guitar instrumental, reflective of much of their experimental, psych/prog/jazz/punk/post-punk/noise rock work over their 40-year history. It is largely the work of the two main surviving group members, Craig Gray and Seattle-native Paul Hood. The single was released in advance of their successful July/August 2019 tour dates in Germany and Finland. The Toiling Midgets touring band is Paul Hood - guitar/vocals, Simon Bell - bass/vocals, Craig Gray - guitar and Daniel Benjamin - drums.

"Sea Of Tranquility" (vinyl LP and download) will be released by Green Monkey on September 20, 2019. It includes new material developed by Craig and Paul using vocal outtakes from the late Ricky Williams plus music composed and recorded for this project with singer/bass player Simon Bell, and mixed by Michael Davidson in Seattle. Also making an appearance on the record is Penta Swanson, graciously lending her voice to one summer psycho drama!

Originally formed as an instrumental trio, the Toiling Midgets were born in 1980 from the ashes one of San Francisco's first punk bands, Negative Trend, with founding members Craig Gray - guitar, Tim Mooney - drums and Nosmo King - bass. A young Paul Hood who had honed some chops as a bass player in Seattle punk bands Meyce and The Enemy, joined in short order, switching to improvised and often lyrical feedback guitar. The unpredictable wild man, Ricky Williams, completed the original line up with his Bowie/Iggyesque free form vocals and lyrics.

Never an entirely vocal or instrumental group, their roughly 50/50 blend of vocals and instrumentals is hauntingly beautiful at times and at others soaring and almost anthemic. The music is much closer to rock (although, rock like you may have never heard it before). Craig and Paul's (the remaining original members) guitars circle and intertwine one another throughout the "Sea of Tranquility" challenging each other to take that next step.

This new record (and make no mistake, this is new stuff) stands proudly with the other 16 or so EPs and albums that they have released over their 40-year recording career. New day!

New recording has already begun with the current lineup and old catalog is being worked for even more future releases.

Remember to play at maximum volume

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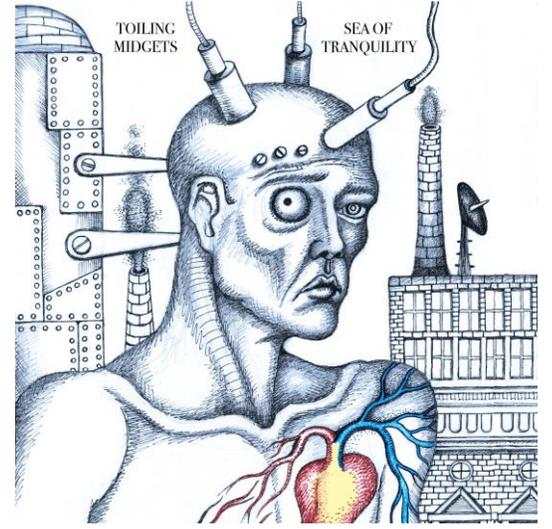
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Side 1

1. Arachnid
2. Her Web
3. The Bugs
4. La Di Da
5. Grazing Stars

Side 2

1. A Bell
2. Inter Urban
3. The Long Summer
4. The Doctor Gets Cut Again
5. Ecco Mi

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