Art Bevilaqua - Game Theory

Featuring ...

The Lushwood Hills Sympathy Orchestra:



Produced by Chris Christ and Rupert von Nutwood

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All songs written by Art Bevilaqua except where noted.

Six of the pieces on this album are based on music that I composed for video games. Thus the album title. Some of the original music was actually used in games and some was not. In any case, for this album I expanded all of the original short pieces into full songs and gave them all new titles. To go along with these I wrote, with significant help from Chris and Rupert, six new pieces that seem to fit in well with the others to make a coherent album. See if you can tell which are the legacy pieces and which are the new ones. Most importantly, I hope you have as much fun listening as we had making this record.

Art

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1. Take Off Your Skin and Stay a While

Atorva - percussion, bass drum, snare drum, cymbals Chris - bass Mary - violin Todd - guitar Art - piano, organ, synths

2. A Hypnagogic State

Carmen - mixed percussion, sticks, cymbals Yugo - mixed percussion, shakers, tambourine, bongos, bass drum Atorva - congas, marimba MT Singers - vocals Art - piano, synths

3. On the Veranda

Carmen - tabla, darbuka, dumbek Lungfish - cellos Art - synths, samples



4. Uncanny Annie

(Bevilagua/Christ/Nutwood)

Chris - upright and synth bass Atorva - bhangra percussion, cymbals Carmen - bhangra percussion Yugo - shakers, tambourine Mary - violin Todd - guitar Lungfish - violins Rupert - 1st sax solo Pearl - 2nd sax solo Art - synths, trumpet

5. Borderlands

Chris - synth bass Atorva - bhangra percussion, cymbals Carmen - bhangra percussion, kalimba Yugo - shakers, tambourine, bongos, bass drum Mary - violin Art - synths

6. Nuts and Bolts

Carmen - mixed percussion, sticks, cymbals, snare drum Yugo - mixed percussion, shakers, tambourine, bongos, bass drum Lungfish - strings Art - piano, harpsichord, synths, mellotron

7. Margot

Yugo - shakers, tambourine Art - piano, synths

8. Doctor Syn (Bevilagua/Christ/Nutwood)

Silas - drums Chris - bass Todd - guitar Rupert - sax, clarinet Mary - synths Art - harpsichord, mellotron, synths, trumpet



9. Gum Gum Chew Chew

Silas - drums Chris - bass Todd - guitar Pearl - sax Rupert - sax solo Art - flugelhorn, trumpet, organ, piano

10. Skid Row

Art - synths, samples



11. Snake Eyes

Silas - drums Chris - bass Atorva - bhangra percussion, vibraslap Yugo - mixed percussion, shakers, sticks, tambourine Rupert - alto sax Pearl - tenor sax Art - piano, organ, trumpet

12. Tom Foolery and Jungle Jim

(Bevilaqua/Christ)

Silas - drums Chris - bass Mary - violin, electric piano, clavinet MT Singers - vocals Lungfish - violins Yugo - shakers, tamboura, mouth harp Art - piano, organ, synths

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