

Julian Williams: *Liquidambar* cd



JULIAN WILLIAMS is a Melbourne musician and playwright. He is well known as the leader of art-performance group the *Hi God People*, who have performed on National ABC tv, supported Sonic Youth, played the What Is Music and Liquid Architecture festivals, and released several acclaimed albums. Julian has played in bands such as *Solids* and *The Inevitable Orbit*. He has written, directed and improvised theatre at La Mama and other venues such as the Collingwood flats carpark and Ceres environmental park. Julian has released a large body of music and writing through his long-running label and fanzine *From The Same Mother*.

LIQUIDAMBER is Julian's latest solo album and represents a merging of his pop and experimental careers, reflecting influences from the Beach Boys to John Cage. The 12 songs feature multi-layered vocal harmonies and time-shifted sound samples atop guitars, organs and flutes. His lyrics are about philosophy, the role of humans in the universe, and tribal rites and ceremonies from Africa, South America and Asia. Included is a bonus EP *Signs/Skilti*, which was the soundtrack to Julian's 2004 outdoor theatrical performance at Ceres.

The **SYNAESTHESIA** label releases various manifestations of 'experimental' and 'pop' forms from Australia and is currently located in London. Previous releases include Pateras/Baxter/Brown, Bernard Parmegiani and Francis Plagne.

The **SPILL** label and studio is a vehicle for Greg Wadley (Hi God People, New Waver etc) to help bring Melbourne's best music to the world.

The **LAUNCH** of *Liquidambar* at Horse Bazaar, 397 Little Lonsdale St, Melbourne on Wednesday 14th January will feature live performances by Julian Williams, Snawklor, The Inevitable Orbit and Justin K. Fuller, and video art by Jason Heller. It is part of the Stutter series, which celebrates its first anniversary that night.

Liquidambar will be released worldwide Jan 2009

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