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Roger Powell- Fossil Poets #21859



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In the 70's and 80's Roger's groundbreaking electronic synthesizer albums Cosmic Furnace (Atlantic) and Air Pocket (Bearsville) were hailed as masterworks. A protégé of Robert Moog (Inventor of the Moog Synthesizer), Powell went on to create otherworldly synth textures for Todd Rundgren and Utopia.

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"Even among the keyboard titans of the prog-rock Seventies, Roger Powell always stood out." (Future Music U.S. Ed.- June '06). Legendary synth wiz Roger Powell returns with an all-new, groove oriented, retro-futuristic solo flight entitled Fossil Poets.

Review by Greg Prato

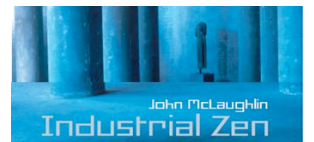
Quite a few years have passed since fans have heard anything from former Utopia keyboardist Roger Powell. The last he was spotted, he was part of a brief Utopia tour of Japan (documented on the Redux '92: Live in Japan DVD), yet rumors spread that after the tour, he had all but retired from the music biz. Then, from seemingly out of nowhere, 2006 saw the appearance of Powell's first solo release in a dog's age, Fossil Poets. Joined by guitarist/bassist Greg Koch (with producer Gary Tanin adding some extra synth parts, as well), Fossil Poets is an entirely instrumental affair. But instead of focusing on their playing chops (as most instrumental rock albums do), the songs are mostly about creating texture, including the ambient album opener, "Lone Gunmen," and the robotic "Fallout Shelter." Elsewhere, Koch provides some tasty Jeff Beck-esque guitar work (circa Beck's classic Blow by Blow/Wired period) on "Test Drive" and "Osmosis." Although Fossil Poets won't be challenging the Dixie Chicks for the top of the album charts anytime soon, longtime Utopia fans will surely be pleased with the album that signals Powell's return from the "missing person's list."

**Track Listings**

1. Lone Gunmen
2. Fallout Shelter
3. Delayed Reaction
4. Test Drive
5. Crème Fraiche
6. Too Much Rain
7. Underwater City
8. Dauphine
9. Tribe By Fire
10. Miles Per Gallon
11. Peaceful Uprising
12. Serpentine
13. Zentegrity
14. Osmosis
15. Astrae

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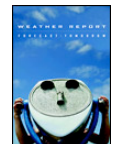


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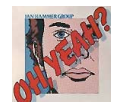
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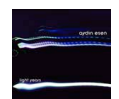
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