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PIERO UMILIANI To-Day's Sound

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DESCRIPTION

The sound of today. A very strong statement. Yet, fifty years later, it remains undisputed. To-Day's Sound is Piero Umiliani's manifesto, his will to demonstrate to the world that he always has his finger on the pulsating vein of the world, ready to embrace the heartbeat of the future. In the summer of 1973, Piero Umiliani, in his futuristic recording studio in Rome, much like Miles Davis for his Bitches Brew, gathered an extraordinary collective of musicians, both old and new auard to measure themselves against some of his compositions. Besides strongly emphasizing the backbeat, what stands out the most is the timbre provided by his "electronic instruments," as he liked to call them. Minimoog, Arp 2600, Fender Rhodes, EMS VCS3, Clavinet, Lowrey organ, Space Echo, self-built envelope filters - machines impossible to see all together in an Italian recording studio at the time and made available to the musicians. The line-up is stellar; under the name Sound Workshoppers, the Wrecking Crew all Amatriciana is hidden, an impossible mix where Marc 4, Gres, and Perigeo are blended, along with a brass section of veterans and pioneers of Italian jazz, all members of the RAI Symphonic Rhythm Orchestra. Comparing the recordings from the original scores, one can also understand the space left by Piero Umiliani for his musicians. They are free to move, to contribute solutions, to enrich the maestro's music. The perfectly preserved original masters, once transferred at the maximum possible sampling frequency, allowed for the recovery of many lost frequencies, restoring brilliance and the remarkable low end expertly captured in recording by engineer Claudio Budassi. To-Day's Sound was extremely difficult to control and fully render with the mastering technology of that time. Pressing of 500 copies worldwide. Includes poster.

TRACKLISTING

A1. Open Space

- A2. Green Valley A3. Caretera Pnamericana
- A4. Goodmorning Sun
- A5. To-day's sound
- A6. Free Dimension
- B1. Truck Driver
- B2. Blue Lagoon
- B3. Wanderer
- B4. Lady Magnolia
- B5. Pretty
- Jo. Heny

HIGHLIGHTS

• **Piero Umiliani**'s *To-Day's Sound*, originally recorded in the summer of 1973 in Umiliani's futuristic recording studio in Rome.

C1. Railroad

C3. Bus Stop

C5. Nocturne D1. Exploration

C2. Country Town

C4. Cotton Road

D2. Tropical River

D4. Safari Club

D3. Coast To Coast

D5. Music On The Road

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- RIYL: Marc 4, Gres, Perigeo, RAI Symphonic Rhythm Orchestra.
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