



DARAND LAND Wander Being

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SCISSOR & THREAD

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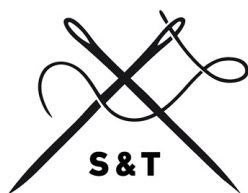
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Territory

NORTH AMERICAN EXCLUSIVE

Genre

FILE UNDER - D - ELECTRONIC



DESCRIPTION

DaRand Land, who hails from the post-industrial confines of Buffalo, NY was one of the leading figures of Deep4Life, a cult label known for submersible oriented, yet dancefloor-friendly productions. With ambient synth-driven tones and heavy funk basslines being at the center of his sound, DaRand Land's music often evokes an introspective quality, without losing its groove fundamental. DaRand's works, which span decades on deep house labels such as Downbeat, Confluence and Pulp have been described as "uncompromising" and has afforded him a passionate following of listeners who seek a more emotive, thought-provoking brand of underground music. Teaming up once again with Scissors and Thread – the perfect fit for his sound – DaRand Land drops an album full of crafty, trippy house for the heads. *Wander Being* contains ten tracks on the double vinyl release with a pair of additional tracks for the digital release. The vibe is deep and sleek, with a rough, bumping edge. The title track sets the tone, a smattering of percussion accompanying a thick, round kick drum and Rhodes chords, giving off a classic Detroit feel. Tracks like "Turn to The Music" ramp up the energy somewhat, but overall the tracks sit in the sweet spot between dancefloor burners and soulful, jazzy, deep cuts. Noticeable is the space given to each element across the tracks – the hi-hats sparkle, the snare snaps, and the basslines roll and rumble. Add to this the magic melodic flourishes provided by the pads and synths, reminiscent of the late **Mike Huckaby** in places, made this whole album a thoughtful, joyful experience. "The genesis for the *Wander Being* LP," says DaRand "was a desire to return to the essence of some of my original Deep4Life productions. How was this accomplished? Principally, through the exclusive use of hardware components, minimalist arrangement, and a minds-eye approach to source the musical elements. In particular, the single, 'The Nature of Reality' was written to convey a sense of what it feels like to be in a state of suspended animation. There is a natural tension introduced via the organic, swirling pad progression juxtaposed against endless vocal echoes and the low-end groove of the bassline. Thematically, I wanted to carry this forward through the entirety of the album. balancing subdued keys and strings with ethereal tones and atmospheres."

TRACKLISTING

- A1. The Nature Of Reality
- A2. Wander Being
- B1. Turn To The Music
- B2. At The Feeling Level
- C1. Jazz Intent
- C2. Thematicism
- C3. Wade Away
- D1. Natural Causality
- D2. In The Meadow
- D3. See Urchin

HIGHLIGHTS

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