

Jumpel's Deuxième Bureau Official CD Release

By Hidden Shoal Recordings

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Deuxième Bureau is a further refinement of the Jumpel sound so wonderfully displayed on debut album Samuel Jason Lies On The Beach. Like perfectly fabricated ecosystems, each track is a luscious miniature environment complete with its own microclimate and prismatic inhabitants. The attention to detail in the music is consistently astonishing, rewarding close listening with a good pair of headphones. Deuxième Bureau is a fabric of intimate moments – some parts woven tightly, others open to the air – and an enticing invitation to explore Jumpel's delicate and immersive ambient micro-pop.

Early standout 'Clay State' layers aching strings, brushed drums, Rhodes piano and vibrato guitar into a delicately affecting throb. Single 'Quicken Belts' amiably bounces Rhodes, marimba and rustling rhythms against the sounds of neon fireflies, tiny springs and electrical flickering, before they are submerged in a pond of metallic particles. And gorgeous closing track 'The Sea/Friends' sends plaintive piano chords resonating out into a field of a mechanical flora and fauna.

"The elegance of Deuxième Bureau is stunning... ambient music with heart and soul" – Luna Kafe

"Jumpel brings a wealth of musical and life experience to this meticulously crafted debut album... intimate despite its broad spectrum of instrumental colour and occasional cinematic ambiance" – Textura on SJLOTB

Deuxième Bureau is now available on CD through n5Mailorder, the distribution arm of n5MD, and digitally from the HSR Store and all good digital music stores such as iTunes, eMusic and Amazon. Jumpel's first album, Samuel Jason Lies On The Beach, is also available in digital format through Hidden Shoal Recordings. Check the HSR Store for all availability and distribution information.

Hidden Shoal Recordings is an Australia-based independent music label that has earned a reputation for releasing exciting and engaging new independent music that is not bound by genre or style. Hidden Shoal Recordings was recently chosen as one of the top 10 favourite labels of 2007 by Textura magazine and has been dubbed "This generation's 4AD" by prominent New York radio host DJ Mojo.

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