Mp3 Dargis - The Fine Art Of Forget Me Not



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Cosmopolitan Rock. Beatle-esque harmonies over jazzy chords with country-blues twang. Songs of love, confusion and growing up. 10 MP3 Songs POP: Beatles-pop, POP: 80's Pop Details: Christopher Dargis was a major songwriting contributor to such diverse Jersey Shore acts as Glueneck (guitar), Happysad, Exploder! (lead vocals and guitar), and Gretna Greene (bass guitar) in the 1990's. He continued playing bass for friend Danny White's band before returning to guitar and re-developing his distinct chord approach and personal vocal style. By the time he turned thirty years of age, his love of classic pop radio songs was evident in the compositions written for his debut CD, THE FINE ART OF FORGET ME NOT, released independently on December 4th, 2001. Hints of Bossa Nova and British Invasion are amped up alongside dreamy word-play and concise melodic material. The energy calls to mind the Replacements and the romantic side of Elvis Costello. The album was co-produced by Dargis and Stacy Phelon (who sings many of the vocal harmonies and played keyboards) at Subterranean Sound in Long Branch, New Jersey. Shore area bluesman Matt O'ree contributed hot guitar work to six of the CD's ten cuts, while ex-Happysad drummer Clint Gascoyne (currently of Digger Phelps and Frankenstein 3000) lent his patented edge, usually associated with Dargis' music. Bassist Brian Dougherty (also of DP) added taste and whallop. Dargis has been warming up crowds for artists like Steve Forbert, Freedy Johnston, Bill Janovitz (of Buffalo Tom), and the legendary Dan Hicks and his Hot Licks at the Stone Pony in Asbury Park. In early 2002, Dargis submitted a new song called "Your Wish Is Mine" to the Mainman Records complilation CD Full Blast. Chris Dargis still performs at shore area coffee houses and occasionally forms small bands for select gigs. A follow-up CD is in the works.

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