

Mp3 John Vecchiarelli - Songs From Whoville



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"8 songs of quiet brilliance. John's newest songs flip the same emotional switches for me as artists such as Elliott Smith and Red House Painters, but do so without sounding derived from them at all." - John B. Jones, KPSU Radio 8 MP3 Songs POP: Folkly Pop, ROCK: Acoustic Details: John Vecchiarelli's sophomore effort, "Songs From Whoville" was recorded during three days in June 2004 at Jackpot! Studios, with Larry Crane (Elliott Smith, Quasi, Sleater-Kinney, Decemberists) at the helm. John once again utilized the talents of his dear friend Matt Greenberg (Charles Atlas) on piano and organ, as well as cellist Jenn Grady (The Wax Fire) to flesh out his new recording. The result is a wonderful representation of John's unique songs and vocal, guitar, and percussion style. It is a record that is spare and subtle... vast and full, all at once. definitely a recording to sink your ears into... "Originally steeped in the realm of hard rock and punk, John Vecchiarelli went more mellow and racked up some pretty solid indie cred with a voice that can ebb and flow with the same melancholic sweetness Jeff Buckley gave us in "Grace". After four years of brooding under soggy Portland skies, the local released his second album, "Songs from Whoville", shrewdly bringing together warm tones of cello, organ and piano to create a winter blanket of gentle and well-crafted songs." - Elizabeth Schuster, Willamette Week, Portland, OR "Ok, its time to cut out the bull here. Lets take all clever writing techniques, all the cute analogies, all the flowery phrases, and lets toss them out the window. Why? Because musically this record does exactly that. 8 songs that pay homage to the meaning of melody and space, Johns performances and choices of arrangements are as tasty as they come. Stripped down ensembles featuring guitar, voice, piano/organ (Matt Greenberg from Charles Atlas Sanchez) with the occasional rhythm track, backup vocal and cello accompaniment (Jen Grady from the waxfire) Songs from Whoville is moody, powerful and lyrically charged with a deep sense of realization, loss, and elation. Simply put Songs from Whoville is a

masterpiece of pure song." - KZSU Radio, Stanford University, CA "I've received a lot of positive feedback after playing "Songs From Whoville" on my radio show, and listening to the record it's easy to hear why. These eight songs, from the achingly pretty "Cocoon" to the lovely closing lullaby "Lillian", are sad and warm and effective, each one perfect in its own way. Refreshingly different from most 'singer-songwriter' fare out there, "Whoville" is one of the most beautiful records of the year. I only wish it were longer!" - Tamara Tillinghast, KAOS Radio, Olympia, WA *Pre-released Oct 1st 2004, this CD is currently available in a limited run of hand stamped, hand assembled, arigato packaging. *Individual song downloads now available on iTunes.

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