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Electronic Music

**WITH** 

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# HAVEN'T I?

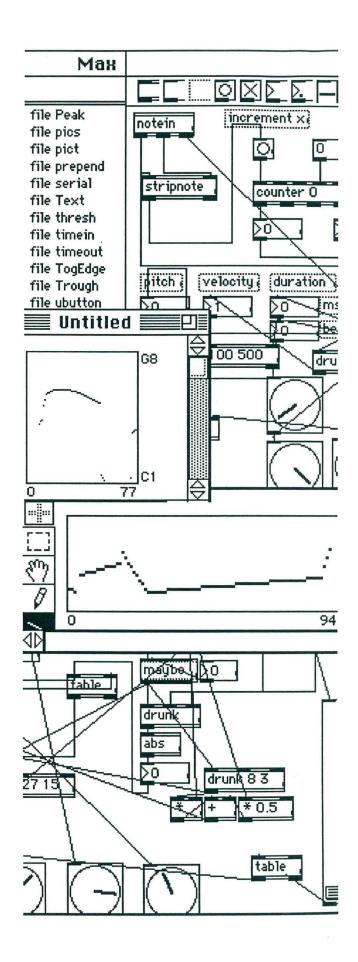
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The expanse of this place
Is taking my eloquence away from me.
I'll paint a picture of mountains and
Valleys,
With roads to nowhere, roads to roam,
And dark clouds reaching to the ground.

I'm taking a stance
That will draw us the outline
Of the dying of desire—
Of things that are gone
And can't be recovered
By mind over matter or an unthinking
Slumber.

Haven't I stolen a thought A book I've never read? Don't I stare down days of boxes Filled with life? Have I understood Nothing?

Am I hiding sand inside a room kindly Kept?
While creeping down highways
Speeding with visions
Of closing fields, compressing.
Apicture like glass
—of empty boxes...



# HAVEN'T I?

(Performed in memory of Love & Movement.)

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# ABOUT MAX

MAX is an insane object-oriented music programming language designed by Miller Puckett at IRCAM. The commercial version is a re-write by David Zicarelli '84(?) Marketed by Opcode software. MAX could conceivably change the nature of reality as we know it, and we're on the leading edge.

### ABOUT MACS

All sequences were programmed by Andrew and Shawn (with the noted exceptions), using Macintosh computer running Mark of the Unicorn's Performer 3.61 software. Sample manipulation was done using Passport Software's Alchemy 2.21 program. Go, Go, Click Change!



\*Written by Andrew Lindsay Cohen and Evan Sornstein, additional programming by Shawn R. Brice, Demian Hennessey and Stuart Scanlon. Additional programming on **Me Again** by Ned Mooney. Additional programming on **Serious** by Aaron Sylvan.

### PARK & GAGE

This video was part of an assignment for Video Tutorial with Tony Carruthers. The assignment was to pick a location in Bennington, and try to convey the atmosphere of that location. I chose the intersection of Park & Gage streets.

# DID I DREAM, YOU DREAMED ABOUT ME?

This video came out of a piece of music, with the text from Song To The Siren by This Mortal Coil. The piece is meditative and I tried to capture a dreamy quality. This piece is dedicated to and Stars Theo Kate Feld.

#### BUT THEN AGAIN...

An improvization on Korg Wavestation and E-Mu Systems EMAX.

### MARTIAL/MARITAL

An improvisation with MAX on digital piano.

## SOME, WHERE?

This composition uses the program Max. I programmed the computer to randomly create sounds. Unfortunately, the amount of variables that I used made it so I had no power in the compositional process. i just turned the thing on, and I had no control; Thus, I altered the program so I could decide (generally) when sounds would occur. I decided to use the Proteus because of the great sounds that it makes... NOT.

#### SEMI

MAX is used to translate controller data to pitch data on Wavastation.

#### GODZILLA

The sounds were created using a processed voice sample.

### ME AGAIN

An improvisational romp using the octapad to control the Digital Piano, and Macintosh. Samples are controlled using the KX-76 keyboard.

### EAR WAXX OP. 1

These sounds were created from any combination of the following: throwing rocks in the pond, scaping metal together, and sampling from a Midnight Oil CD and Madonna's *Like A Virgin* Album.

#### **SERIOUS**

Get down, get funky, get back up again.

### OPTIONAL ...

We may (or may not) perform a composition (or improvisation) using (or not using) instruments, body parts, animal bi-products, or percussion. (Then again, maybe we won't.)

#### **TRANSITIONS**

This song was originally written for the amazing soprano voice of the lovely Kathryn Kitt. However, being the ego-maniac I am, I'm going to sing it.