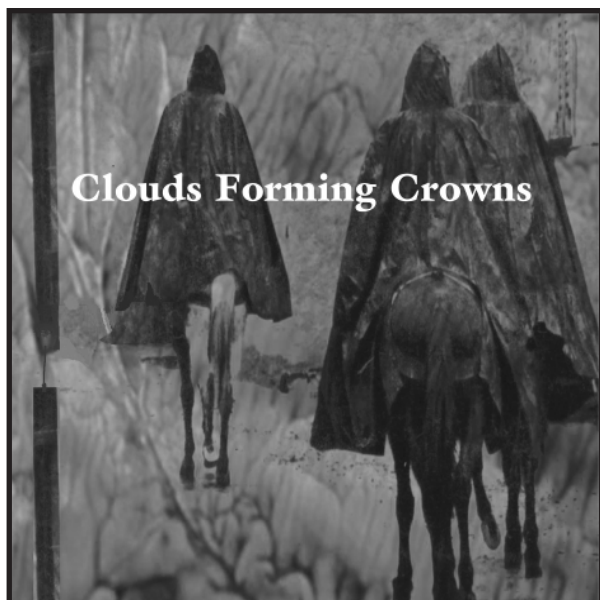


CLOUDS FORMING CROWNS**"s/t" CD****OVERVIEW**

Clouds Forming Crowns self titled release focuses the collaborative energies of two indie rock apostles into a sentient fusion of earth-bound melodic, time shifted lyrics, and an overall stellar ambience. The debut offering from Todd and Tim Tobias, **Clouds Forming Crowns** is a fully evolved project of intuitive song writing, enigmatic vocals, built on a foundation of gifted veteran musicianship and craft production.

Tim, fresh off a five year stint with venerated **Guided By Voices**, shares production/songwriting credits with his talented brother Todd, who produced **GBV's** last three albums and solo work for **Robert Pollard**. The result of Tim writing outlines and Todd filling in the blanks, each song has etched patina of the authenticity that blends raw emotionality with cohesively interwoven styling. Evoking a multi-colored narrative, the album saunters from the big picture harmonics of songs like "Wish Hound" into the dark uninhabited corners of "Minus Drivers."

All the while, the peculiar lyrics and grafted melodies of this album conjure a psychological ambivalence that is simultaneously innervating and ironic, humorous and pensive, drawing comparisons to not just the best of **GBV's** discography, but also to more direct indie rock outfits such as **Neutral Milk Hotel**.

Simultaneously as rockers and writers/producers/instrumentalists, Tim and Todd Tobias share all the elemental leanings of their collective prolific talent through the vessel of **Clouds Forming Crowns**.

SELLING POINTS

- Both Todd & Tim Tobias are critically acclaimed for their previous work among the **Guided By Voices** circle of fanatics, and **GBV** releases have sold a combined total of roughly **2 million copies**.
- Todd Tobias has produced such top selling albums as **Guided By Voices' Universal Truths and Cycles, Half Smiles of the Decomposed, Earthquake Glue, & Pipe Dreams of Instant Prince Whippet**, and also co-wrote/performed/produced **Robert Pollard** solo work and **Circus Devils** releases including *Fiction Man, Ringworm Interiors, & the Harold Pig Memorial* album.
- Tim has performed on immensely successful **GBV** albums such as *Isolation Drills, Universal Truths...*, & *Earthquake Glue*. Tim also performed and co-wrote (with Robert Pollard and brother Jim) on both the **Circus Devils** releases.
- This album is being serviced with a full radio/press mailing, covering key zines, consumer press, college & alternative commercial radio, and a 12-week publicity campaign starts January 10th.
- **CFC** will be touring select East Cost cities in February coinciding with this release, and a U.S. tour is planned for April.
- This release is a *must-have* CD for the numerous collectors of **Guided By Voices** related projects.
- There is already an exciting buzz on **GBV**-related fan sites and 'zines about this release & a variety of well-known magazines have committed to writing features about this impressive new band.

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