

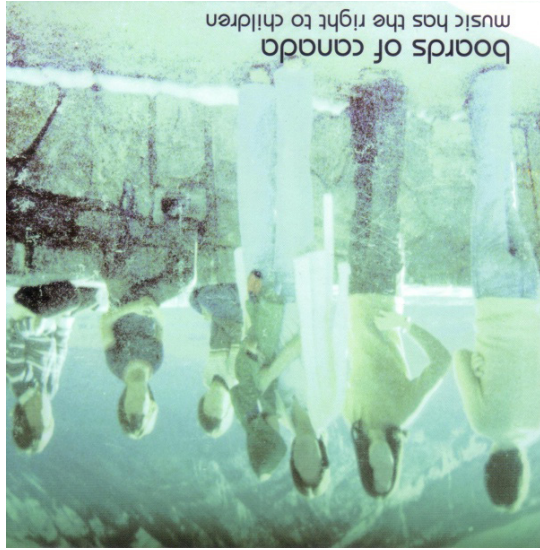
William Basinski - Disintegration Loops
 Created in the shadow of September 11th, the Disintegration Loops are recordings of the destruction of ancient ambient tapes created by William Basinski. Combining modern classical with minimalism and experimentation, the Disintegration Loops are one of the best illustrations of life, death, and the afterlife ever created.



Aphex Twin - Selected Ambient Works 85 - 92 : Although it was released in 1992, SAW has continued to stay relevant, and highly influential, combining retro synths with complex polyrhythms, Aphex Twin set the standard for all ambient music to follow



Phurpa - Trowo Phurnag Ceremony : Utilising the art of Tibetan throat singing, TPC is a journey through the crypts and tombs of the ancient Bön religion. Dark, otherworldly chanting bring the listener into a trance that may be very scary to experience, but relenting completely to their world is a wholly worthwhile experience.



Boards of Canada - Music Has The Right To Children : Creating a down-tempo, nostalgic atmosphere, BoC has crafted the perfect album to introduce oneself to ambient music, with ethereal synths, pulsing rhythms and vintage samples, this album is a must listen.

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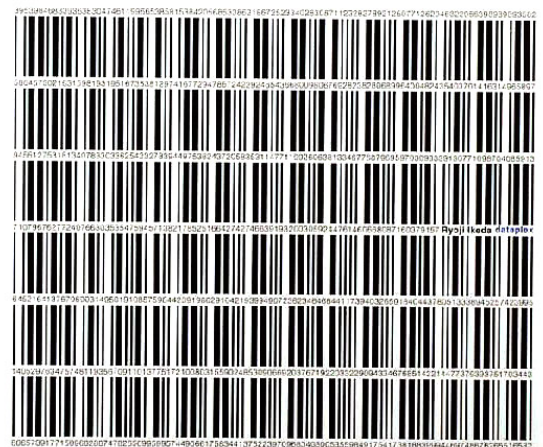
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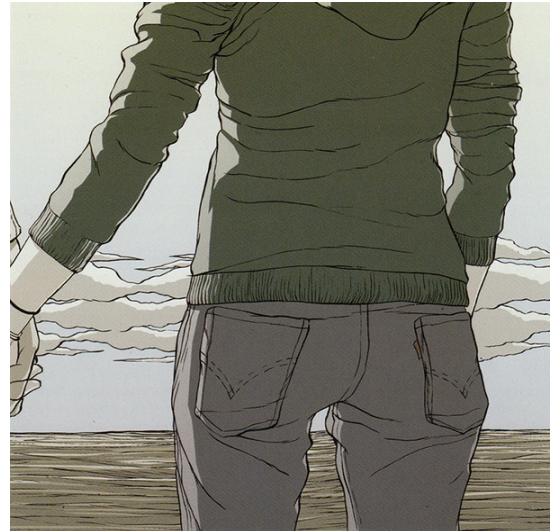


Ryoji Ikeda - dataplex : Using raw data to create minimal soundscapes and fleeting melodies, dataplex is a behemoth to tackle. Once one overcomes these initial difficulties however, dataplex is a beautiful soundscape, bringing the listener to foreign, futuristic sound collages that are sure to stay with them for long after the last song plays

Autechre - Oversteps : Often considered to be a spiritual successor to Amber, Oversteps elaborates and improves on every idea Amber established. With chaotic, broken rhythms and melodies hidden under blankets of sound, Oversteps is at the same time powerful and fragile, grotesque and beautiful. Autechre once again has set a new standard for experimental music.



Helios - Eingya : Utilizing acoustic instruments and found samples, Helios tells a truly captivating, and emotional story, all without lyrics. Diverting from his normal electronic ambient sound, Helios has filled a spot in ambient music that we never noticed was deeply missing.



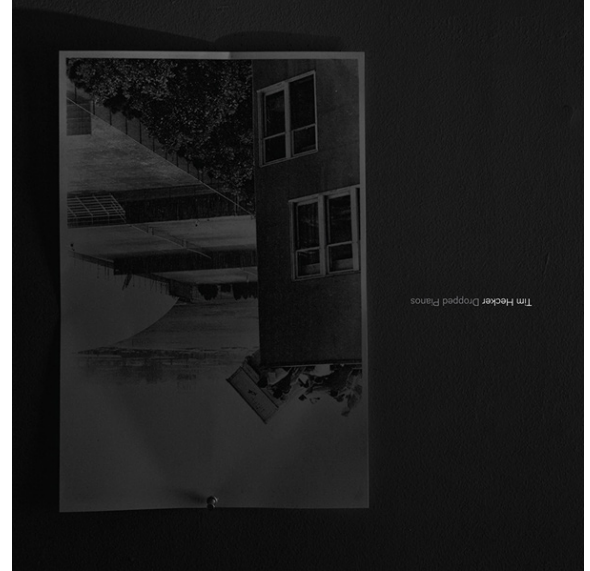
Aphex Twin - Selected Ambient Works Vol. II Taking on a much darker and more minimal approach, SAW II takes you through a journey of Aphex Twin's lucid dreamworld. Utilising amelodic, muted sounds and machinist rhythms, SAW II can be a scary experience, reminiscent of the same fears we held as children, and is a masterpiece to behold



The Haxan Cloak - Excavation : Bringing the worlds of avant-garde and drone into dark ambient, Excavation resonates with the sounds of the abyss. Foreign sounds and destructive rhythms make this an imposing listen, not to mention a terrifying experience, but one that's guranteed to leave you coming back for more.



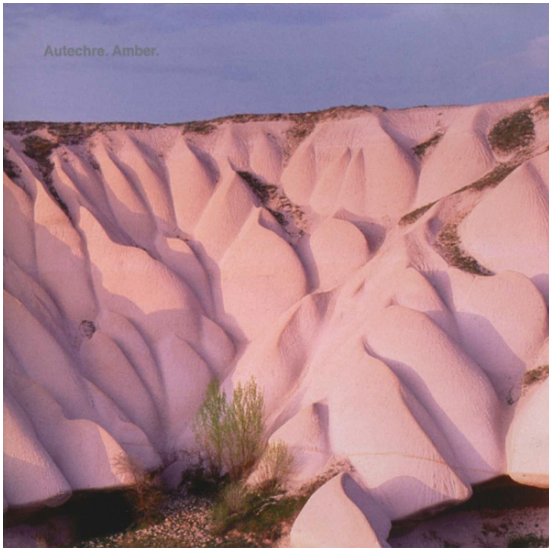
Tim Hecker - *Dropped Pianos* : Combining modern classical music with ambient music, Tim Hecker has crafted a dark and fragile world within *Dropped Pianos*. With broken, ethereal pianos played over ambient tones, this album is as much an emotional journey as it is a sonic one, and it is not to be taken on lightly.



hana sumai - *s/t* : Created in a mental ward after a schizophrenic breakdown, hana sumai's *s/t* takes you into the dark annals of the creator's mind. With ethereal piano echoing over tape hiss and ambient samples, this album is a chilling experience one will want to experience again and again.



The Caretaker - *An empty bliss* beyond this world : Combining dark ambient with sound collages, an empty bliss simulates the onset of amnesia, with repeated sounds, subtle effects, tape hiss, and soaked in nostalgia, The Caretaker has created an album that is certain to be stored in the deepest caverns of many people's minds.



Autechre - *Amber* : While *Amber* is considered an album at the basis of "ambient techno", Autechre took it much farther than anyone else has dared. With arrhythmic beats and strange melodies, *Amber* takes you to the most desolate places of strange alien planets, but leaves you wanting more.