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ARTIST: Dom Minasi/Hans Tammen

TITLE: Alluvium Sun

LABEL: Straw2Gold Pictures



TUNES: Alluvium, Sand and Rain, Hurricane, Finger Dance, Broken Promises, Don't Look Back, Whispers from the Heart, Chasing Bulls, Slit, Fluvial, Nervous, Erosion, Clearwater Flow, Gemstones, Illuvium, Entrainment Velocity, Rapid Erosion

PERSONNEL: Dom Minasi, gtr, Hans Tammen, gtr Recorded in 2014

Most of us have heard "Dueling Guitars", but have we heard them in "improv mode"? Dom and Hans ensure that every note flows cleanly and with total sonic purity, leaving the soil that is our mind full of new thoughts and inspirations... you can think of their work as sonic mining, making each and every little thought in your head become vibrant and full of life! Don't expect the tunes to have clear separations, either... the whole idea here is that every stone gets refreshed by the exuberant energy these two project... especially on pieces like "Finger Dance".. in fact, I would

advise that (for your first listen, anyway) you do this with headphones on, from start to finish! If you're a veteran listener of improvised jazz, you'll hear the castanets on "Chasing Bulls" and revel in the dance with the players... I can guarantee that you'll (also) mark it on your playlists repeatedly. When it comes to improvised guitar, Dom is a true veteran, mining nuggets from each sound, and though this is my first listen to Hans, he's clearly in the same league. It was the little vocal snatches on the closer, "Rapid Erosion", that won my vote for

personal favorite of the sixteen pieces offered up for your (long-term) aural enhancement, though... if your mind isn't enriched by the end of this 3:04 gem, it never will be. I give Dom and Hans a MOST HIGHLY RECOMMENDED, with an "EQ" (energy quotient) rating of 4.99.

Dick Metcalf

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