

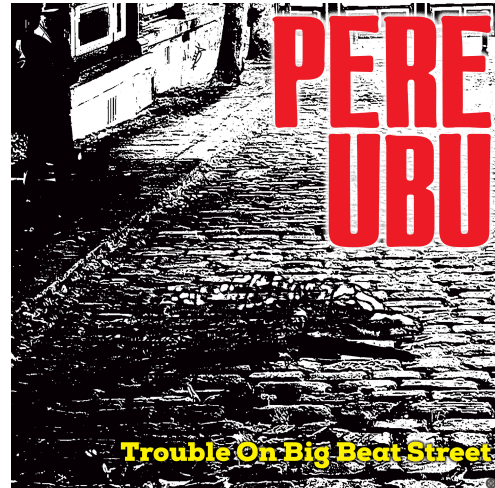
PERE UBU

Trouble On Big Beat Street'

the brand-new album

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Pere Ubu unveil their new album, 'Trouble On Big Beat Street', nearly four years after their previous record for Cherry Red, 'The Long Goodbye'.

'The Modern Dance' (1978) marked the end of Rock 'n' Roll. 'Trouble On Big Beat Street' marks the end of The Song. Pere Ubu ended with 'The Long Goodbye' (their last album, also on Cherry Red, from 2019). Pere Ubu begins again with 'Trouble On Big Beat Street'. If you missed the last 48 years then imagine a bad-attitude. Imagine **Electric Light Orchestra** - the version with **Roy Wood** - then add **Muddy Waters** playing guitar and **Nina Simone** singing.

'Trouble On Big Beat Street', the 19th Pere Ubu studio album. David Thomas produced, mixed, and engineered it. The vinyl release is ten tracks. The cd release includes all 17 tracks recorded during the sessions. Those extra seven tracks were too good to lose but took up too much time to fit on a vinyl release.

Pere Ubu is **David Thomas, Keith Moliné, Gagarin, Alex Ward, Andy Diagram, Michele Temple** and **Jack Jones**. Keith Moliné and Andy Diagram are the two pale boys. They have played with David more than 28 years. Electronica artist Gagarin was soundman for the two pale boys. Michele Temple has been in Pere Ubu 30 years. Improviser and life-long fan Alex Ward submitted a cover version of a David Thomas song to the band's live-streaming show. David invited him to join the band. David met Jack Jones in the pub.

"53 years ago I read about 'Song Cycle' by **Van Dyke Parks**," says David Thomas. "I didn't understand what I read but it changed me. Years later I heard the album. This, finally, is my response to hearing to that album. "Long ago I determined that a song is best the first time it's played. There is nothing that can go wrong or be inadequate. Repetition allows error to enter in. These songs have been played by the band one time, as they were recorded.

Ubu World, these days, includes a live-streaming internet show (DPK-TV), an 'official bootlegs' site, and, coming in February, David's monthly radio show, on Louder Than War Radio (LTW Radio) called **Stay Sick , Turn Blue**.

The album will be played live on 2nd June at RichMix in London, ticket link to be available soon, and further dates to be announced.

"If this isn't album of the year," says David "Elmer" Thomas, "then my name is Elmer Fudd."

Side One

1. Love Is Like Gravity
2. Moss Covered Boondoggle
3. Crocodile Smile
4. Movie In My Head
5. Nyah Nyah Nyah

Side Two

1. Worried Man Blues
2. Let's Pretend
3. Satan's Hamster
4. Crazy Horses
5. Uh Oh