



X: THC – X: The Human Condition (CD + DVD - Hypnotical Entertainment)

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Behind X: THC (X: [The Human Condition](#)) hides an [American](#) artist based in [New York](#) who's active on several fronts. Michael Nova is a performer, composer, filmmaker and producer. On this release he combines the different facets of his artistic skills.

The realization of "X:The Human Condition" is absolutely remarkable. The cd features 10 [songs](#) while the [dvd](#) brings the songs more into life by 10 outstanding and professional [clips](#). Musical-wise this album starts a brilliant way. "Hide" opening the album comes quite close to [Portishead](#). The next few pieces entitled "Monster", "A Human Flood", "The creature From The Blackened Room" and "Sleeping With One Eye Open" are one after another remarkable songs.

The influence from bands like Massive Attack, Portishead and Royksopp comes quite fast into mind, but there's a kind of good-old new-wave spirit running through the composition as well. When music and images (from the clip) come together we can only admit that X: THC is an alluring project. The 2nd part of the album is a bit less fascinating. The composer he moves into warmer and smoother fields. "Mr. Happy" even evokes some lounge style. There's a kind of 'happy mood' emerging from the tracks and that doesn't totally fit with the colder debut.

It for sure [injects extra diversity](#). Several guest musicians contributed to this release, which probably explains a part of the diversity. The dvd is a fascinating experience for being that professional and artistic. The clips are more [like short movies](#) or documentaries while most of the songs are dominated by a blue colour. X: THC is a name to keep in mind!

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