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Caricature of Jean-Jacques Perrey by Marcel Bouret

ONDIOLINE OCHESTRA

Wally De Backer Ondioline, Samples, Vocals

Ben Edgar Guitar and Percussion

Sean Dixon Drums and Percussion

Joe McGinty Moogs, Organs, Samples

Jordan Scannella Upright and Electric Bass

Rob Schwimmer

Ondioline, Theremin, Moogs, Samples

Gideon Brazil Clarinet

Wally De Backer Project Coordination

Stephen Masucci Ondioline Restorations

Chris Greissler Moog Patch Recreations

Nick Oddy Musical Arrangements

Rob Schwimmer Musical Arrangements

Jeff Sugg Lighting Design

Taylor Hyslap Lighting Engineer

Lachlan Carrick Sound Engineer

Kevin Posey Stylist

Aaron Rosenblum Project Manager

ABOUT THE WORK

Over many decades of sonic exploration, Jean-Jacques Perrey was a musical chameleon.

In the 1950s he was the first and only virtuoso of the rare French electronic musical instrument, the Ondioline, developing a remarkable facility for accompanying himself on piano with his left hand, while his right coaxed an entire orchestra's palette of sounds from the small proto-synthesizer.

In the 1960s he was a pioneer of rhythmic tape-edit sampling techniques, crafting a uniquely whimsical and instantly recognisable library of musique concrète sounds with which he made memorably melodic and highly joyful electronic pop music.

In the late 1960s and 1970s he was an early explorer of the Moog modular synthesiser, interpolating an incredible inventory of playful patches into pop, rock and funk arrangements that have been sampled extensively by contemporary producers.

Ondioline Orchestra hope to share the spirit of joy that Jean-Jacques so exuberantly communicated with much of his music, but also to draw attention to rare and unreleased works from the maestro's archive. These lesser-known pieces, including collaborations with Angelo Badalamenti (Danielle of Amsterdam). Billy Goldenberg (Dandelion Wine) and the 1959 soundtrack to La Vache et le Prisonnier, reveal a deeply sensitive and reflective side to Jean-Jacques' musicianship, pointing towards a composer/producer/ performer who, though celebrated for his wonderful work combining highly unusual sounds in boisterous pop arrangements, deserves to be further explored.

Ondioline Orchestra is a new ensemble dedicated to preserving and extending the legacy of French inventor Georges Jenny's remarkable electronic musical instrument, the Ondioline. The Orchestra has been brought together by Wally De Backer (a budding Ondiolinist, but better-known as alternative pop artist Gotye). For this tribute concert to Jean-Jacques Perrey, the ensemble plays all sounds live, including Jean-Jacques' signature sample sounds, diverse Ondioline timbres on restored original instruments, and theremin and Moog patches modelled on original recordings.

REPERTOIRE

- 1. La Vache et le Prisonnier (The Cow and the Prisoner)
- 2. Visa To The Stars
- 3. Swan's Splashdown
- 4. Spooks In Space
- 5. Mod Ghost
- 6. Danielle of Amsterdam
- 7. Prélude à la Rose (Prelude for a Rose)
- 8. Cigale (The Cicadas of Provence)
- 9. Cosmic Ballad
- 10. Chicken On The Rocks
- 11. The Little Ships
- 12. Pioneers of the Stars
- 13. Dandelion Wine
- 14. L'âme des Poètes (The Soul of the Poets)
- 15. Flight of the Bumblebee
- 16. Gossipo Perpetuo
- 17. *E.V.A.*
- 18. Soul City
- 19. Passport To The Future