MUSIQUE FRAGILE VOL. 02

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BOX SET OF 3 FULL-LENGTH ALBUMS: TONY CONRAD + HANGEDUP • S/TKANADA 70 • VAMP IRE **PACHA •** AFFAIRES ÉTRANGÈRES

Musique Fragile is a limited edition vinyl series of 3-album box sets that retrieves 'lost' or obscure recordings and issues them with extensive artwork and packaging. Each edition of the series features screenprinted record jackets, posters and inserts for each of the three albums in the set and a screenprinted slipcase box that houses the albums. Editions are hand-numbered and limited to 500.

Musique Fragile Volume 02 includes:

Hangedup + Tony Conrad • S/T

A meeting of the legendary violin minimalist and one of the past decade's finest instrumental punk bands. Hangedup – the Montréal duo of Eric Craven (drums) and Gen Heistek (viola) – released three searing albums of steam-engine percussion and layered, distorted, dive-bombing strings in the 2000s. Towards the end of the decade, they collaborated with Tony Conrad on a series of performances and a few intensive days of studio recording in Montréal. Hangedup then disbanded for a few years and these tapes were not released. Which was a shame, because they rock. That's now been remedied.

Kanada 70 • Vamp Ire

The solo work of Craig Dunsmuir, who released ten CD-Rs under the Kanada 70 moniker throughout the 2000s. Vamp Ire compiles an LP-length selection of this terrific bedroom material. Truly a treasure-trove of broken beats, loopscapes, dark distorted dub, new wave and no wave guitar sketches, and more. The hardest part was culling only 45 minutes worth – we could have compiled multiple LPs from Craig's introverted ADD prolificacy. Dunsmuir is known for his work with Sandro Perri in Glissandro 70 and as the encyclopedic musicologist on staff at Toronto's Soundscapes record store. Dunsmuir also has a remix from Sandro Perri's Impossible Spaces album coming out on DFA in 2012.

Pacha • Affaires Étrangères

The solo work of percussionist Pierre-Guy Blanchard, who recorded this album at his home studio with engineer Radwan Moumneh in 2009-2010 and selfreleased it in a tiny run of CD-Rs. The album features intensely satisfying rhythmheavy instrumentals often propelled by fried, amped-up Middle-Eastern synth lines. Think early Trans Am, if they had come out of Cairo or Beirut. Blanchard has fused his obsession with Arabic and Balkan pop/folk traditions with his masterful gourd, frame drum and trap kit playing for the past decade, performing in all sorts of groups in all sorts of places. This album marks his first attempt at a definitive sound and musical statement of his own - and succeeds wildly.

Thanks for listening.



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ARTISTS: TONY CONRAD + HANGEDUP **KANADA 70** PACHA

3-ALBUM SET FEATURES A FULL-LENGTH RECORD BY EACH ARTIST.

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