

# EXPRESS RISING: EXPRESS RISING



A decade ago, Dante Carfagna issued a somewhat anonymous LP under the Express Rising heading. That self-titled affair went in and out of print before 2003's summer gave way to fall, thanks in part to its release by the frustratingly obscure Memphis label, but thanks more to how it broke new ground for the instrumental rap generation's interest in the sub-sub-basement of record mining.

The album's blurry boreal cover captured Carfagna's mysterious persona. Though he's been attached to such seminal compilations as *Chains* and *Black Exhaust*, a grip of Eccentric Soul titles, and the recent electronic soul collection *Personal Space*--and though his signature "Records I barely like but maybe you will" approach to writing helped build the Wax Poetics brand--Dante remains a tough man to pin down. He doesn't even have a working doorbell.

Which may be a good thing, as he recorded his second album in the middle room of his third floor walk-up in Chicago's Dog Patch neighborhood. A notorious homebody, Carfagna cut much of this second self titled LP after a long nights of Camel filters and bottled New Glarus--while watching his neighbors departure for morning straight-world commutes. Reaching back to 2008 and an Akai four track, these 11 songs break from the foraging tradition employed by Dante's debut, swapping out breakbeats and samples for guitar, Wurlitzer, banjo, steel guitar, synthesizer, and an arcane drum machine.

Reached for comment, Carfagna had this to say about himself and about Express Rising: "My last record came out ten years ago. Much has changed and much has not."

**CATALOG NUMBER:** ER-3014

**ARTIST:** EXPRESS RISING

**TITLE:** EXPRESS RISING

**RELEASE DATE:** 7/16/13

**AVAILABLE FORMATS:** LP/CD

**BOX LOT:** 20 LP/25 CD

**GENRE:** ELECTRONIC/DOWNTempo

**VINYL IS NOT RETURNABLE**

## TRACK LISTING:

1. ROOMS BETWEEN US
2. MEMORABILIA
3. LELAND SPRINKLE
4. HORSE OPERA
5. WORRY YOUR TIME
6. LEFT RIGHT BEHIND
7. DANIEL FERN
8. A TREASURE SMILE
9. WINTER THE HEART
10. ANSWERING ECHO SO NEAR
11. DARK EARLY

ER-3014 LP



ER-3014 CD



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