

**hecq. chansons de geste. cd / digital / vinyl lp. hymen records ¥850 / ¥416**

tracklist cd / vinyl: 01 worlds end, 02 nescient, 03 home by nights, 04 heathland, 05 recital 1, 06 passage, 07 tome, 08 rest, 09 dust & carpets, 10 recital 2, 11 there is always tomorrow

all tracks written and produced by ben lukas boysen. engineered, recorded and mastered by martyn heyne at lichte studio berlin. mastering engineer vinyl: andreas [lupo] lubich at calyx berlin. artwork & layout by maria sieradzki. photo by stefan alt. published by erased tapes music. release date: 04september2k17

180g 12" black vinyl. full colour sleeve / printed inner sleeve. matte cardboard. limited to 323 copies. including a download code. cd version: 6-panel digipak matte cardboard. upc cd: 821272400325

with 'chansons de geste' ben lukas boysen a.k.a. hecq presents a very personal release, conceived as a memorial and dedication to bygone events and individuals. the basic sources for the eleven haunting tracks were original tape recordings boysen and his family members made decades ago for private use, ranging from piano etudes to classical works by composers like j.s. bach and johannes brahms. it was hecq's intention to restore, to revive and to re-arrange these basic sources for the existing release in a condensed and unusual way. each tape was digitized to hard disc, loops and patches were extracted from this sound pool, and the collection was recorded on a reel-to-reel tape recorder. the tapes were taken and played back inside a church where the natural reverb of the location was added and used as the master recording.

musically, 'chansons de geste' is a captivating assemblage of mesmeric ambient works where the natural hissing from the ancient tape recordings interpolate with orchestral classical textures and slight electronic manipulations. the hypnotic loops and dots transfer an atmosphere of grandeur and melancholia to those who are aligned to the album's concept as well as to the unprejudiced listener.

'chansons de geste' is hecq's examination and refurbishment of a rich, touching and important time's distillate - an aural inheritance of activities and events which only remain to exist as a memory. highly recommended.

**hecq discography. 09.2017:**

chansons de geste. cd / lp. hymen records ¥850 / ¥416. 2017  
night falls. 2lp. hymen records ¥415. 2016  
mare nostrum. cd. hymen records ¥832. 2015  
conversions. cd. ad noiseam adn174. 2014  
horror vacui. cd. hymen records ¥813. 2013  
enceladus. 12". ad noiseam adn149. 2012  
spheres of fury (w/ exillon). 12". contortion cont001-1. 2011  
avenger. cd / boxset. hymen records ¥792 / ¥792.2. 2011  
sura. 12". ad noiseam adn128. 2010

steeltongued. 2cd. hymen records ¥772. 2009  
golden pines. cdr-ep. binkcrsh bk039m. 2008  
night falls. cd. hymen records ¥767. 2008  
zetha. 12". onpa))) onpa003. 2007  
0000. cd. hymen records ¥758. 2007  
bad karma. cd. hymen records ¥748. 2005  
scatterheart. cd. hymen records ¥742. 2004  
a dried youth. cd. kaleidoskop kal003. 2003

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