

# TROUBLE BOOKS

## GATHERED TONES



**Trouble Books** have cultivated another garden lush with colorful and odd sounds, loops, and drones to walk through and explore. Handmade experimental pop songs blossom from under synthesizer swells and guitar clouds, later to be buried in noise or drift off into ambient atmospherics.

The sounds on *Gathered Tones* seem to come from a location far from Keith Freund and Linda Lejsovka's attic or Mike Tolan's living room in Akron, Ohio. Instead, the sputtering electronics and analog sequencers suggest a place like the exotic set of the 1972 film *Silent Running*, where space stations with huge geodesic domes float in orbit around Saturn, filled with leafy plants and small birds. The quietly sung lyrics about daily life and chores bring the songs back to Earth and make *Gathered Tones* another warm and personal recording from the group of friends.

RIYL: The Microphones, Broadcast, Brian Eno.

*"It's easy to get lost in the eclectic soundscapes of Ohio-based band Trouble Books... The gorgeous mix of meandering instrumental arrangements, expansive ambiance, and wonderfully earnest vocals creates a sort of spacey chamber pop that seems to float wherever the wind may take it."* - NPR

*"Instead of sacrificing cohesion for spontaneity, Trouble Books' acute ear for both detail and swelling dynamics keeps a certain balance to their wide spectrum of pop experiments that tie all facets of their sound together. United Colors references the Microphones, Greg Davis, Windy & Carl, and Slowdive without actually sounding like any of the listed outfits – a testament to both their creative vision and adventurous spirit."* - **Skyscraper Magazine**

*"Ramshackle songcraft with a somehow otherworldly quality that melts in your ears. Highly Recommended."* - **Boomkat**

### ARTIST

TROUBLE BOOKS

### TITLE

GATHERED TONES

### OWN CAT NR

OWNREC#49

### MDM CAT NR

MDM 45392

### MDM PRICE CODE

PC 0861

### FORMAT

CD 4-PANEL GREEN WALLET

### TIME

32'01"

### RELEASE DATE

MAR 03, 2010

### TRACK LISTING

- 01 ASCENDING KIDNEY
- 02 PAST THE NEW PARKING DECK
- 03 FROM COLFAX PLACE
- 04 ARMS FULL OF LEMONS
- 05 ABANDONED MONORAIL STATION
- 06 TOPICAL ISLANDS, GERMANY
- 07 NIGHT INDOORS
- 08 DAZZLE SHIPS (PARTS IV & V)
- 09 SUDDEN LOOP
- 10 DUSK ACCELERATOR
- 11 HOUSEPLANTS

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