## **Pressetext Civic Soma**

Civic Soma, based in Hamburg, stand for highly energetic and dynamically diverse Psychedelic Progressive Rock.

At times their music is sweepingly progressive, at times it's psychedelically spherical. The pounding force in the playful, driving rhythms of Marc Rinderspacher (dr) and the delicate yet massive FX-tempests of Arne Horstmann (b) play off each other and create a solid foundation for Simon Vincenz Schmitz (keys) and Martin Schulz (git) to go wild on, with colourful harmonies and top-notch riffing. Within all this, Marc Borchert (voc) sometimes sings, sometimes talks, sometimes powerful, sometimes tender.

Their Debut LP Hybris tells the story of two religious warriors on opposite sides as they despair and lose faith ("Riddled"), meet face to face ("Pawn Takes Pawn"), fall into a coma ("Ataraxium"), desert to the desert ("Deserted") and after achieving enlightenment and stopping by the Cosmic institution that brings about strange events ("Cosmic Office of Coincidence"), they turn into one omniscient, all-powerful, angry God ("Soma Berenices").

Despite the convoluted plot of this record, Civic Soma at times perform the entire thing at their concerts. This however does not diminish the shows because regardless of their theatricality, Soma still are authentic, grounded and full of energy.



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