



For me Thorn1 is one of the most important projects on Silber. It's not just because the music is top notch or because it embraces all the things we love like drone pop, ambient, & lo-fi. It's because Thorn1 is the first Silber signee that grew up on the music we started putting out almost twenty years ago. Silber has always made music that is more likely to appeal to people over thirty than teenagers, so the idea that a teen in Russia was listening to Remora, Rivulets, & Aarktica & developing a sound uniquely his own while encompassing our their work as starting points is pretty much the biggest possible compliment to telling us we really are doing something worthwhile.

Hailing from Barnaul in Siberia, Thorn1 is Evgeny Zheyda. Source recordings of acoustic guitars are manipulated into epic walls & pencil taps on a desk become amazing drums, all recorded on a handheld voice recorder instead of with microphones, a trick learned in youth when no better equipment was available. The music mixes lo-fi-pop & post rock & dub for his own take on drone pop. While post rock & experimental hip hop & folk scenes are healthy in the Russian music underground, blending them together puts Thorn1 in both its own unique category & a no man's land without other bands to play shows with nor a musical scene with the same aesthetic within a thousand miles.

The Light of Random Star showcases the creativity that can come out of the isolation. "Clearly and Consciously" really showcases everything drone pop is about - lo-fi whispers, reverbed reverse guitars, & a broken heart turning into a victorious anthem. "Vortex Gravity" mixes drone with minimalist dance music. "Heat Death of the Universe" brings in the walls of blissout guitar drone that feels like a warm blanket that you could lie in for hours. This album has everything to offer for folks looking for a blend of electronic, drone, & shoegaze.



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