

ePop 019:
Karibbean –
A Christmas
Special



KARIBBEAN



EardrumsPop

EardrumsPop releases free digital singles of their favourite artists. Every single will include 2 original songs and in addition a cover-version of a song they think deserves more attention. The cover art will be made by our favourite illustrators, and we like to see the single as a split-release between the band and the illustrator.

The singles will vary in style, from acoustic folk-songs to noisy indiepop, everything in between and more, but always warm and melodic.

Tracks:

1. Xmas Vibrations
2. We Need the Sun
3. Gregorian Spring
4. Surfing in the Woods
5. A Post-Modern Weekend
6. Down Before Xmas

» All tracks written by Karibbean. All songs performed by Karibbean.

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Introduction to the artist: Karibean

Karibean are Enrico Carletti (vocals, bass guitar), Corrado Verdolini (guitar) and Luca Gobbi (drums, vocals) from Ancona. Their music is breathing Beach Boys vibes and

makes you want to live close to the ocean. The three-piece from

Italy's east-coast have formed in 2010 and released their

wonderful debut EP »Love, Tears & Spiritual Blessing«

this summer. You can listen to a special Christmas edition now that includes two additional songs.

Everybody who thought about a Christmas under palm trees, by the beach surfing or just enjoying a light breeze while sunbathing, this might be your soundtrack.

You can find Karibean on the Internet here:

<http://www.facebook.com/karibeanband>

<http://karibean.bandcamp.com/>



The Cover Art Designer: Kristine Zipfel

The seventeen-year old Kristine Zipfel is currently working her way through the last high school year in Norway. Art has always been a big part of her and she mainly taught herself. During her exchange year in New Zealand she attended Photography and Art Design classes and that really gave her a whole new approach to art and idea development.



»» What are you working on right now?

Just some personal works. My head is in general filled to the brim with ideas I want to get down on paper, but time is short! I'm also getting used to a new lens I just got for my camera.

»» What are your favourite tools?

Watercolour, nice colour pencils, ink and photoshop from time to time.

»» Please tell us about the process of making the EardrumsPop cover! Is this the way you usually work?

I usually don't plan my works too much, and kind of just go head-on into it. So I mainly draw on impulse. Sometimes I carry an idea too long in my head and I can have it planned for days or weeks or months before I finally get started. With the cover I first listened to Karibean's songs and did a brainstorm, a few sketches, jotted my ideas down and sent them to Stefan to see what he thought. Then I got started on the actual cover. :)

»» Who / what are your greatest visual inspirations?

Shaun Tan, Stacey Rozich... It's hard to name them all, I get inspired by so many people throughout the day.

Read the interview here:

<http://www.eardrumspop.com/about-2/our-illustrators/kristine-zipfel/>

The Cover Art Designer: Kristine Zipfel (continued)

»» Is music or other forms of art an inspiration? If so, what do you listen to?

Oh, definitely! Music might just be my biggest inspiration. If I have to list the band that has the most impact on me, it has to be Mew. I don't know how I'd be today without them. Other bands that I really enjoy at the moment are Bon Iver, The Middle East, M83, Sufjan Stevens, The Phoenix Foundation, Team Me, The Black Seeds and Bob Marley to name a few.

»» How did you develop your style? Is it different now than when you started?

I constantly draw inspiration from other artists, music, people, nature, books, documentaries, movies and things that happen around me. My work has definitely changed since I really got into drawing at the age of 11-12. For a while when I actively hanged around on DeviantArt I was very much into fantasy and dragons. Nothing else interested me for a while, luckily that changed. The later years I've been experimenting way more and I'm more confident in my colour choices and my development of ideas has improved a lot. I'm still figuring out my style.

»» What's your favorite color?

Red! No.. Blue. Or maybe lime green. Or a nice yellow. I can't decide!

»» What are your future plans? Any exciting things you are looking forward to?

I'm really keen to study photography in New Zealand once I finish school, and to keep on illustrating and drawing as well! I got a lot of dreams for the future, it's all so exciting to think about.

»» What question and answer would you like to end this interview with?

What happened to all the young astronauts? I don't know. But you can find more of my work here:
<http://www.khanran.deviantart.com/> and here: <http://khanran.tumblr.com/>

About EardrumsPop, the label:

EardrumsPop is a net-label closely related to the music blog Eardrums. We love warm and melodic music of all kinds, we believe in beautiful things you can see and hear, and we believe in working together, helping each other and getting good music and good art out to the public. We do not believe in money, so all our releases are given away for free.

We HOPE that instead of supporting us, you can visit the websites of the bands you like, buy their releases, go to their concerts or just spread the word about these wonderful bands. All our releases are made in close collaboration with the artists and illustrators.

www.eardrumspop.com

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Thank you.