## Multimedia music man

New music by Arhus-based midiwizard, Tony Brooks

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The midibass player and multimedia musician Tony Brooks has released his first CD in his own name. "HeavenPeople" was produced together with the ex-buddhist monk from South Korea, Lim Dong Chang, and is a live duo studio recording. Exciting music

and a rewarding experience for the listener who allows the time to absorb new worlds of sound. Chang is a member of Brooks' IS Orchestra. Tony Brooks is a Welsh musician based in Århus, with 20 years of international experience as a professional musician behind him, and a lot of ideas to promote the growth of his own concept of "experimental world music", as he calls it. Brooks founded IS Orchestra in 1994. A short list of his projects would give most people pause for thought: At the moment it includes trying to establish a European Music Collective, to encourage a pan-European exchange of musical expression. This in conjunction with European Cultural Capital event. A project that he emphasizes often is called "Soundscapes". Its aims include creating a multimedia platform that will allow everyone, regardless of age, sex and ability, to express themselves through sound and sight. Central to this concept is the possibility of giving disabled persons the opportunity to express themselves creatively as therapy. He is also engaged in talks with a New York company, who works with "Realtime Interactive Multimedia Theatrical Environments" (RIMTE). The idea here is for musicians from all forms of music to interact with mediums of performance. And this leads to the most topical of his projects, in which he's planning a satellite connection later this year, between the Olympic Games in Atlanta, USA and Copenhagen, Denmark, the European Cultural Captital of 1996. The goal is to create an interactive transmission, with the duo, a group of musicians and dancers, large screens and computer installations, transmitting both ways, on both sides of the Atlantice

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