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### **Biography**

**VooDooMan** (Marián Meravý) was experimental musician, painter, programmer, writer and radio presenter based in Bratislava, Slovakia. He authored 9 music albums, tens of humorous podcasts "Rádio Haluze" at Rádio Tlis where he also worked as an sound engineer.



He often mentioned being inspired by Coil, Jackson Pollock and Andry Warhol.

#### **Interests**

#### Music

His music was usually very experimental, challenging traditional concepts of melody or rhythm with more abstract compositional processes, musique concrète or nearly harsh-noise attitude. His music contained for example sampling of his own voice or voices of other people (sometimes through telephone line), his own distortion techniques and various acoustic recordings of his custom built instruments.

#### **Electronics**

VooDooMan was very skilled electrical engineer. One of his projects was a complex electronic circuit designed to control vacuum cleaner through his computer's sound card. His aim was create an electronic interference in the power grid, which he then planned to use as an unconventional sound source for his music. His electronics knowledge was all self thought – he dropped out of high-school and studied from university textbooks.

VooDooMan also built his own radio station, which he used to transmit his podcasts to his neighbours.

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#### **Programming**

VooDooMan was experienced C++ programmer, contributing to various open source projects as well as programming his own musical programming language, similar to Pure Data. He often used to dive deep into processor architecture and maximise utilisation of its resources via assembly code instructions. He used to maintain his own servers, located at his home.

## **Discography**

- Ultranet Refresh
- Posteuphoric airiness goes to the lethargy
- Love, peace and suicide
- Mob psychosis of zombies
- Communication subsystem failure
- Red sabbath
- The difference
- Stuck in the infinity
- The little night music generator

## **Unprocessed dirty research mess**

#### kto bol voodooman

- nahodne volal ludom v telefonnom zozname a pytal sa ich na rôzne veci, ktore asi viac bude vediet popisat ach
- mam pocit ze aj hackoval(ale to by trebalo s gndom potvrdit, nie som si ista)
- recykloval veci pre zvukove nastroje
- maloval obrazy(jeden z jeho napadov ktore som aj videla bol, ze mal velmi dlhu rolu baliaceho papiera na ktoru kreslil rôzne veci postupne(tvrdil ze ho inspiroval Pollock) a planoval to potom vyvesit tak aby ludia chodili vytahom a pozerali si na tom tak detaily toho obrazku...)
- pisal a prepisoval/coveroval texty piesní
- + skupinou Travis, mne raz rozpraval (a myslim, ze to je aj niekde v buklete niektoreho albumu, alebo niekde pisane na webe) ze by chcel niekedy urobit pesnickovy album, ze aj pise texty, ale nevie spievat, tak z toho asi nic nebude.
- kedysi (okolo roku 2004/05) bol na irci taky room ze 'cajovna', netusim nakolko by to mohlo byt zaujimave, alebo ako sa k tym ludom tam dostat/vypatrat ich, ale tak som sa o nom dozvedel ja prvy krat a imho by vedeli nieco o nom povedat

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