# Someone/Anyone?



A 50th ANNIVERSARY TRIBUTE TO TODD RUNDGREN'S SOMETHING/ANYTHING?

hen I started Something/
Anything I didn't know that it was gonna turn out to be a double album. The stuff started coming out and when it stopped there was a double album. I got into this habit of songwriting where a lot of songs used the basic patterns of major seventh chords ascending and descending. By the time I sat down to write "I Saw the Light" I just had this little grain of an idea and 20 minutes later the song, words and all was finished.

I always thought I was gonna write songs like the Beatles or The Who or something like that and the first song I wrote was this quasi jazz ballad called "Hello It's Me." The inspiration was just a set of chords I heard on a Jimmy Smith live record. Lyrically, I was singing about some high school relationship that I continued to mope about even after it was long over.

My early influences were mostly not pop music. When I was growing up my dad didn't like to have rock music played in the house so alternatively he was playing contemporary classics all of the time, things like Rimsky Korsokov Leonard Bernstein, a whole range of stuff. It was mostly stuff like show tunes or orchestral works. When I started focusing on songwriting one of the first people who really affected me was Burt Bacharach, particularly Dionne Warwick's first record. Every record was like a pop gem. He had this thing of playing with rhythm and playing with the changes and using more sophisticated changes so that had a big influence on me.

With Something/Anything people thought that I was now a singer songwriter, and the piano was my main instrument. Piano was never more than a songwriting tool for me. "Couldn't I Just Tell You" was influenced by the Who and songs like "Substitute" or "Pictures of Lily." On the record, there's the weird "sounds of the studio" thing, the Les Paul-ish ness of "Breathless" and "Black Maria" where there's more personal music expression in it from an instrumental standpoint in the guitar playing on that record then there is in the piano playing. The piano playing is just merely accompaniment.

#### TODD RUNDGREN

from an interview with Ken Sharp

s there a HIT record as unique as Something/Anything? The quick answer is no. Todd Rundgren's breakthrough album has so much to say it took two sides to say it. It is truly the album with everything.

With songs like "It Wouldn't Have Made Any Difference" and "Marlene," one minute TR is a Bacharach Brill Building inspired piano balladeer (reviewers called him "the male Carole King) and next he is inventing EDM ("Breathless"), doing outsider LSD music ("I Went to The Mirror"), parody artist ("Piss Aaron"), prog rocker ("Black Maria," "Little Red Lights") and trippy psychedelic shaman

("The Night The Carousel Burnt Down.")

My personal journey with this record is that of wonder, amazement, and pure intoxicating joy. I first listened to S/A at age II and it taught me so much, imparting valuable lessons on how to be an artist devoid of compromise and open to experimentation

Photo: Aymee Garcia

and freed from any restrictions as a songwriter/music maker. Most importantly, he gave me the desire to dream BIG and express myself honestly. As an artist, Todd has always been my touchstone, my benchmark for excellence, giving me artistic license that's it's

okay to choose the road less traveled(it's often a much more interesting path to take) and my life has been better doing things the TR way!

I had a blast making Ram On: The 50th Anniversary Tribute to Paul and Linda McCartney's Ram in 2021 with Wings drummer Denny Seiwell. I decided that Something/Anything? should have the same type of tribute. But this time I had the artists do "their thing"

with the songs and the results are inspired, and some newly reinvented new versions of songs that are the soundtrack of our lives. Thank you for joining me on this adventure by purchasing this CD and helping out Todd's Spirit of Harmony foundation.

**FERNANDO PERDOMO** 



#### DISC ONE

### Louise Goffin Saw The Light

Louise Goffin - Lead Vocals • Fernando Perdomo - Electric Sitar, Guitar, Bass, Drums, Tambourine • Darian Sahanaja - Piano, Vibes, Glockenspiel, Backing Vocals • Marcella Detroit - Backing Vocals • Kaitlin Wolfberg - Violin, Viola • Scot Sax- Drums • Dave Way - Claps • Produced by Louise Goffin, Fernando Perdomo, and Darian Sahanaja • Mixed by Dave Way

Pat Kearns at Goat Mountain Studios for vocal engineering

#### 2. Ken Sharp It Would'nt Have Made Any Difference

Ken Sharp - All Vocals, Guitars, Bell Tree, • Ritchie Rubini - Piano, Synthesizer • Fernando Perdomo - Electric Sitar, Drums, Bass Produced by Fernando Perdomo and Ken Sharp Recorded at Reseda Ranch Studios

### 3. Tiny Demons feat. Bobby Strickland Wolfman Jack

Elle Crash - Lead and Backing Vocals • Nick Bertling - Drums, Wolfman • Lexi Stern - Guitar, Bass, Backing Vocals, keys Zan McQuade - Keys • Bobby Strickland - Tenor and Baritone Saxes Produced by Lexi Stern • Mixed by Fernando Perdomo

### 4. Probyn Gregory Cold Morning Light

All Instruments and Vocals by Probyn Gregory
Produced and Arranged by Probyn Gregory • Mixed by Roland Wolff

#### 5. Nezrok feat. Dennis Diken and Chris Bolger It Takes Two To Tango

Nezrok (Chris Korzen) - Lead and Backing Vocals, Clavinet, Wurlitzer Diane Korzen - Backing Vocals • Chris Bolger - Guitars, Backing Vocals Dennis Diken - Drums • Fernando Perdomo - Bass, Organ, Guitars Recorded at Mozart Studio in Little Falls NJ by Kostadin Kamcev Mixed by Zach Ziskin

### 6. **Geoff Pearlman - Sweeter Memories**All Instruments and Vocals by Geoff Pearlman

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Produced by Geoff Pearlman • Mixed by Geoff Pearlman

### 7. Astral Drive - Intro (Sounds of The Studio)

Produced and Performed by Phil Thornalley aka Astral Drive

#### 8. Fernando Perdomo feat. Jordan Rudess Breathless

Fernando Perdomo - Guitars, Bass, Drums, Percussion, Mellotron, Vocoder Jordan Rudess - Piano and Synth Solos • Wayne Jeffrey Gilbert - Synth Pads Produced by Fernando Perdomo • Mixed by Zach Ziskin

#### 9. Kasim Sulton - The Night The Carousel Burned Down

Kasim Sulton - Lead and Backing Vocals • Ritchie Rubini - Piano, Wurlitzer,
Organ, Synths • Fernando Perdomo - Guitars, Bass, Marxophone, Wurlitzer,
Backing Vocals Phil Parlapiano- Accordion • Ken Sharp - Backing
Vocals Olivia Rubini - Backing vocals • Nick Bertling - Drums, Percussion,
Marching Drums • Produced by Fernando Perdomo and Ritchie Rubini
Mixed by Zach Ziskin





### 10. Victor Wainwright and The WildRoots Saving Grace

Victor Wainwright - Lead Vocal, Electric Piano
Patricia Ann Dees - Backing Vocals
Stephen Dees - Bass • with... • Fernando Perdomo - Electric &
Acoustic Guitar • Ritchie Rubini - Piano • Nick Bertling - Drums
Produced by Fernando Perdomo • Mixed by Fernando Perdomo

### 11. Astral Drive - Marlene

Phil Thornalley- All Instruments and Vocals Produced and Mixed by Phil Thornalley

12. Adrian Bourgeois - Song Of The Viking Adrian Bourgeois - All Instruments, Lead Vocals, Backing Vocals Ricky Berger - Backing Vocals • Jason Berk - Backing Vocals Produced and Mixed by Adrian Bourgeois

13. Phil Parlapiano - I Went To The Mirror
Phil Parlapiano - Vocals, Piano, Accordion , Synth
Geoff Pearlman - Guitar, Bass, Drums • Produced by
Phil Parlapiano and Geoff Pearlman • Mixed by Geoff Pearlman

#### DISC TWO

1. Rob Bonfiglio feat Stan Lynch, Stephen Dees and Durga McBroom - Black Maria

Rob Bonfiglio - Lead and Backing Vocals, Guitars, Wurlitzer, Organ Durga McBroom - Backing Vocals • Stephen Dees - Bass Stan Lynch - Drums • Produced by Fernando Perdomo and Stan Lynch Mixed by Zach Ziskin

#### 2. Creamer - One More Day (No Word)

All Vocals and Instruments - Phillip Creamer • Produced and Engineered by Creamer • Mixed by Fernando Perdomo

#### 3. Marshall Crenshaw - Couldn't I Just Tell You

Marshall Crenshaw.- drums, guitars, vocals • Jared Michael Nickerson- bass Recorded at The Clubhouse, Rhinebeck NY • The Hellhole, Rhinebeck NY • Hobo Sound, Hoboken NJ • Engineers: • Paul Antonelle Shubham Mondal • James Frazee • Produced by Marshall Crenshaw Mixed and Mastered by Zach Ziskin

#### 4. Van Duren - Torch Song

Vocals and Keyboards - Van Duren • Recorded at Ardent Studios Produced by Van Duren • Mixed by Mic Wilson

#### 5. James Booth feat. Carmine Appice, Scrote, Arlan Fieles and John Montagna - Little Red Lights

James Booth - Lead and Backing Vocals, Guitar • Scrote - Lead Guitars Arlan Fieles - Organ , Piano • John Montagna - Bass • Carmine Appice -Drums • Fernando Perdomo - Reverb Bombs • Produced by James Booth and Fernando Perdomo • Mixed by Zach Ziskin

#### 6. The Miami Beach High School Rock Ensemble/ Albert Castiglia Band - Overture -My Roots: Money (That's What I Want)

Guitar - Ben Katzman • Bass - Sydney Greenwald • Drums -Harrison Schwartz • Keys - Leonardo Cattani • Lead Vocal -Cooper Adams • Back Up Vocals - David Corey Perez • Back Up Vocals -Ceci Leon • Recorded - ONErpm Recording Studio by Young Musicians Unite • Producer - Sammy Gonzalez • Engineer - Carlo Barbacci





### Overture - My Roots: Messin' With The Kid Albert Castiglia Band

Albert Castiglia - Vocals, Guitar • Ephraim Lowell - Drums • Fernando Perdomo - Bass • Produced by Fernando Perdomo • Engineered by Ferny Coipel at Shack North Studios Hialeah Fl. • Mixed by Fernando Perdomo

#### 7. Secret Society - Dust In The Wind

Produced by Secret Society • Recorded at Stairway Studios • Mixed by Zach Ziskin • James Van Wert - Vocals • Fernando Perdomo - Guitars, Backing Vocals • Tim Longfellow - Piano, Hammond Organ Bruce Whetstone - Bass, Backing Vocals • Dan Styklunas - Drums Earl Grey and Lisa Johnson - Backing Vocals • Everett Kelly - Trumpet, Flugel Horn, Trombone • Produced by Fernando Perdomo • Mixed by Zach Ziskin

### 8. Dode Prickett feat. Brian Grace and Fuzzbee Morse - Piss Aaron

Dode Prickett - Vocals , Sound Effects • Brian Grace - Sax solo Fuzzbee Morse - Guitars, additional keys • Wayne Jeffrey Gilbert -Wurlitzer Piano • Fernando Perdomo - Drums , Bass, B3 Mark Murdock - Tambourine • Produced by Fernando Perdomo Mixed by Fernando Perdomo

#### 9. Brent Bourgeois - Hello It's Me

Lead Vocal, Organ: Brent Bourgeois • Piano, Bass: John Fields
Drums: Michael Urbano • Guitar, Bvs: Adrian Bourgeois
Bvs: Paige Lewis • Michael B. Nelson - Trombone • Kenni Holmen Tenor Sax • Adam Meckler - Flugelhorn • Produced by John Fields &
Brent Bourgeois • Engineered and Mixed by John Fields

#### 10. Dave Schulz and Lyle Workman Some Folks Even Whiter Than Me

Dave Schulz - Keys / Vox • Lyle Workman - Guitars Victor Indrizzo - Drums / Percussion / Dust-Off Can Katja Rieckermann - Alto, Tenor, Bari saxes • Jennifer Jo Oberle - Bass / Backing Vox • Sharlotte Gibson - Backing Vox Produced by Dave Schulz and Lyle Workman Mixed by Lyle Workman

#### II. Intoxicats - You Left Me Sore

Lead Vox - Michele Rundgren • Backing Vox - Amy Meyer, Sarah Roddy Loog / Uke - Matthew Kirkwold • Bass -Isaac Levy • Drums - Noah Levy • Guitar Solo - Rick Meyer B3 Organ / Piano - Jeff Victor • Trombone - Michael B Nelson Sax - Kenni Holmen • Trumpet - Steve Strand Singer Appreciation - The Hermit Of Mink Hollow • Produced / Mixed - Rick Meyer Horn Arrangement - Michael B Nelson

# 12. **John Powhida International Airport - S.L.U.T.**Amber Angelina-Lead Vocal • John Powhida- Bass Guitar,

Guitar, Vocals, Backing Vocals • Peter Moore- Keyboards,
Guitar, Backing Vocals Drum Programming, Percussion
Slide Guitar- Mike Castellana • Strings arranged by
Peter Moore • Horns arranged by John Powhida • Produced by
John Powhida and Peter Moore
Mixed by Peter Moore • Engineered by Peter Moore
Recorded at Palace of Purpose Boston, MA
Arranged by John Powhida and Peter Moore



#### BONUS TRACKS

#### 13. The Miami Beach High School Rock Ensemble

#### Money (That's What I Want)

Guitar - Ben Katzman • Bass - Sydney Greenwald
Drums - Harrison Schwartz • Keys - Leonardo Cattani
Lead Vocal - Cooper Adams • Back Up Vocals David Corey Perez • Back Up Vocals - Ceci Leon
Recorded - ONErpm Recording Studio by Young Musicians Unite
Producer - Sammy Gonzalez • Engineer - Carlo Barbacci

#### 14. Albert Castiglia Band Messin With the Kid

Albert Castiglia - Vocals, Guitar • Ephraim Lowell - Drums Fernando Perdomo - Bass • Produced by Fernando Perdomo Engineered by Ferny Coipel at Shack North Studios Hialeah Fl. • Mixed by Fernando Perdomo

#### 15. Bruce McDaniel Torch Song

All Instruments and Vocals - Bruce McDaniel Produced and Mixed by Bruce McDaniel

#### 16. Adrian Bourgeois Saving Grace

Adrian Bourgeois - All vocals and Instruments
Produced and Mixed by Adrian Bourgeois

#### 17. Rob Bonfiglio Marlene

Rob Bonfiglio - All Vocals and Instruments
Produced and Mixed by Rob Bonfiglio

### 18. Intoxicats You Left Me Sore (Alternate Mix)

Lead Vox - Michele Rundgren
Backing Vox - Amy Meyer, Sarah Roddy
Loog / Uke - Matthew Kirkwold • Bass - Isaac Levy
Drums - Noah Levy • Guitar Solo - Rick Meyer
B3 Organ / Piano - Jeff Victor • Trombone Michael B Nelson • Sax - Kenni Holmen
Trumpet - Steve Strand
Singer Appreciation - The Hermit Of Mink Hollow
Produced / Mixed - Rick Meyer
Horn Arrangement - Michael B Nelson

#### 19. Ken Sharp I Saw the Light

Ken Sharp - Vocals, Guitars, Keys Fernando Perdomo - Drums, Bass, Percussion, Slide Guitars Produced by Ken Sharp and Fernando Perdomo Mixed by Fernando Perdomo

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