

ARBOREA

Equal parts psychedelia and backwater folk, inspired by Smithsonian field recordings, Arborea is a husband and wife duo from Maine. Buck Curran and Shanti Curran's music draws inspiration from progressive folk and rock traditions of groups like Pentangle and Led Zeppelin, as well as contemporaries Marissa Nadler, Espers, and Devendra Banhart.

The duo is Shanti on lead vocals, banjo, ukulele, bowed strings, harmonium, percussion and Buck on guitar, slide guitar and vocals.

Arborea has performed at the UK Green Man Festival (with Robert Plant, Joanna Newsom, and Devendra Banhart), Tanned Tin Festival in Spain (Xiu Xiu, The Dirty Projectors, and Deerhunter), and Time of Rivers Festival in Portland, ME (Jack Rose, and Christine Carter).

Arborea curated the *Leaves of Life* compilation with Marissa Nadler, Alela Diane, Devendra Banhart, Larkin Grimm and curated *We are all One, In the Sun*: Robbie Basho tribute cd, Important Records 2010, featuring Steffen Basho Junghans, Helena Espvall, Meg Baird, Glenn Jones, Cian Nugent, Rahim AlHaj, and Fern Knight and Arborea.

Arborea has been featured on NPR, WFMU, WNYC's Spinning on Air and the BBC's program World on 3.

On Tour: US tour (including **SXSW**) March 4th to April 30th

"ethereal, bone-chilling, and beautiful all at once!" - **Performing Songwriter Magazine**

"much of the record's charm comes from the blending of Shanti Curran's vocals, which bring a more desolate edge to Vashti Bunyan's breathy purity, with sparse but carefully conceived accompaniment."
-**WIRE**

"Intimate spellcasting affairs...conjuring truly transportational magic out of the simplest ingredients." - **Dream Magazine**

"Husband and wife team, Buck and Shanti Curran, construct a fragile, resonant world with a lingering Americana after-taste, shimmering with the same wide-open spaces Ry Cooder's captured so well on Paris, Texas." -**BBC**

"Shanti and Buck Curran get it right, with memorable songs that linger in the ether long after the last track ends." -**NPR**

Discography:

Wayfaring Stranger: Full Length CD: self released, October 2006

Arborea (S/T) Full Length CD: Fire Museum Records April 2008
Features Helena Espvall's (Espers, Vashti Bunyan) on cello on 2 tracks.

House of Sticks: Full Length CD: Borne! Recordings March 2009

Leaves of Life: Curated by Arborea, with various artists: Borne!
Recordings June 2009

All proceeds from the sales of the record benefiting the UN World Food Program. Features Arborea, Larkin Grimm, Alela Diane, Devendra Banhart, and Marissa Nadler.

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Video links:

Black Mountain Road <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=B9fhKwz-viE&feature=related>

River and Rapids http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=xa1Db7A0G_8

Arms & Horses <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Y9EZ3gDIq7s>

Beirut <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=JBgJyqg7S7Y>

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