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## WELCOME

### KOSMIC DAYDREAM - Psychosomatic Playground (kosmicdaydream.com)

On *Psychosomatic Playground*, we find Kosmic Daydream newly focused on soulful, 60's psychedelica with a little acid-driven garage mysticism looping and flowing throughout the album. By the time you get to "Jaded," which is a T-Rex- worthy rocker, you'll find an album that is compelling, and strangely accessible. There's no overlap, or sloppiness. The band concentrates on these nine songs with proficiency, and resourcefulness.

The sonic scrunge and wah-wah heaviness that Jimmi Dylan squeezes out of his guitars, matched with a non-traditional rhythm section of Adam Hirschman- bass, and Jose Cruz- drums, that rarely functions as just a timekeeper to the vocal presentation of The Kosmic Goddess, neatly side-steps any type of revivalism, revealing a gonzo mosaic of genre's. The last song, the instrumental "Route 444" ( I would have liked it to jam-on for about 9 or 10 minutes rather than the 2 minutes and change, but hey, that what live shows are for, right), is Dead-worthy as far as catching a spiraling vibe, and blasting off where ever your mind might happen to wander. The sound quality could be a little brighter, but don't let that stop you from buying this album. This is a 13th Floor Elevators-worthy, psychodelically groovy album!

Kosmic Daydream's new studio album is a reminder of what a truly marvelous live band they are. And speaking of live shows, Kosmic Daydream will be at Buddies Tavern in Parlin, NJ on Dec. 1, kicking off a female-fronted bands show with 6 To 8 Mathematics, and Seeking Through Silence. Sounds like a really cool show. Hope to see ya there! - Phil Rainone



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