



Top: Thomas Buckner & JB Floyd.  
Bottom: George Marsh & JB Floyd.  
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JB Floyd

I have been one of his beneficiaries and, fortunately a collaborator with Tom on many occasions. The man is certainly a catalyst and the music on this CD is due to his ability to suggest project possibilities that connect creative artists, in this instance, and in sequence, a poet, a composer and a baritone voice. This combination created "In Crossing The Busy Street", and only later in a conversation with Tom did I realize that the musical material from this 22 minute song cycle could bear further exploration as material for improvisations. This immediately led us both to the perfect collaborator for this project, George Marsh, with whom we both have had performances that will always live in our memories.

**IN CROSSING THE BUSY STREET**

- 1) In Crossing The Busy Street (3:19)
- 2) He Took A Cup From The Smiling Proprietor (1:09)
- 3) In A Deli Off Times Square (2:51)
- 4) The Mountain Had Never Before Experienced Such Elation (2:47)
- 5) He's Round Faced Like The Moon (2:49)
- 6) There Are So Many Places We've Been That We'd Like To Revisit (3:44)
- 7) He's The Echo Inside The Echo (2:43)
- 8) He Stepped Off The Curb And Stepped Onto It Again (2:26)

Music by JB Floyd, Poem by Daniel Abdal-Hayy Moore  
JB Floyd, piano - Tom Buckner, baritone

**Improvisations on**

**IN CROSSING THE BUSY STREET**

- 9) He's The Echo Inside The Echo (5:19)
- 10) Exploring The Busy Street 1 (6:33)
- 11) There Are So Many Places We've Been That We'd Like To Revisit (6:36)
- 12) The Mountain Had Never Experienced Such Elation (5:27)
- 13) He's Round Faced Like The Moon (5:26)
- 14) Exploring The Busy Street 2 (7:38)

JB Floyd, piano - George Marsh, drums

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