



## ROC

**New album: 'Night Fold Around Me'**

**Released: 5<sup>th</sup> June 06 on 12 Apostles**

Tracklisting: River / Journey To The Centre Of Brixton / Princess / Sally Ann / Sing A Poor Song / Sink A Bite Into Life / Just One Thing / Too Late Too Much / Soviva / Vespers / Pleasant Dream {Extra tracks: I Want You I Need You I Miss You (Solah Remix) / 2000Mann / Journey To The Centre Of Brixton (Single Version)}

Generally perceived as perverse, uncategorisable and difficult, ROC are an unusual mix - a close descendant of Bram Stoker, an American yachtswoman and the grandson of Daphne Du Maurier.

Previous albums have been released on Setanta ('96) and Virgin ('98), both brilliantly received, not least by Radiohead, Orbital and the Chemical Brothers who are all fans. But ROC's reputation was sealed when Setanta sent an open letter to the music industry branding them 'wilfully uncooperative' and warning people against working with them! Luckily not everyone agreed and ROC have reconvened to offer a devoted fanbase an overdue third album. 'Night Fold Around Me' will be released in June on Brooklyn-based label, 12 Apostles.

Comparisons with Goldfrapp, Eels, Spiritualized and Blue Nile will give you an idea of ROC's sound. The group's 'perverse' tag comes from a refusal to stick to any prescribed genre. They draw on rock, electronica, disco, piano ballads and more, and use traffic, bombs and holy chants, all to create a backdrop for Fred and Karen's raging and poignant sentiments. But while previously they were branded pranksters for sampling Idi Amin and daytime TV, the emphasis here is on personal, sometimes painful, experience. The album was recorded in the former On-U Sound studios with some mixing duties courtesy of Coldplay/Morrissey producer Danton Supple.

**Dsico**, Aussie electro king-in-waiting has remixed 'Sink A Bite Into Life' from the ROC album. 12" white labels will be doing the rounds next month.

In other news: ROC have done an electro/disco remix of **Computerman's** "You Should Watch More Television" on Must Destroy, to be released in April on limited edition 10" vinyl. And Patrick has composed music for recently aired BBC1 documentary 'Breaking Point' and during time off from ROC will be touring as part of Mick Karn's band.

ROC is Karen Sheridan (voice/music), Fred Browning (voice/music), Patrick Nicholson (music/production)

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