

The Bearded – Hope | Omid

Tracklist:

CD 1:

- 01 The Bearded's Project: Hope (Part I-VII)
- 02 Spock's Beard: Carry On / The Doorway / There Was A Time (acoustic medley)
- 03 Coast to Coast: Walking The Thin Line
- 04 Kai Heyrock: At The Hand Of An Angel
- 05 Futile: Frontier Planet
- 06 Projection: It Won't Last Forever
- 07 Speaker's Corner: The Best Small Country (On The Globe)

CD 2:

- 01 Glistening Dawn: The End Of Childhood
- 02 Neal Morse: The Way
- 03 The It In You: Talk To Me
- 04 Kaldera: Trocadero
- 05 Roland Enders: The Soldier
- 06 Hope: I Could Die
- 07 Asgaard: The Tales Of A Scottish Poet
- 08 Disclosed Element: Shattered
- 09 The Healing Road: Crovenia
The Bearded's Project: Hope reprise (hidden track)



(Please visit www.thebeardedproject.de for more info on the artists)

The album:

The Bearded is comprised of musicians who are also members of the German Spock's Beard community "The Bearded" (www.thebearded.de). In 2006, they joined forces to produce a progressive rock album. The resulting work is entitled "**Hope | Omid**" and was released in May, 2007. Omid is the Afghan word for hope – and this is the defining aspect of the project: All proceeds from the sales of the double-album will be contributed to the **German Aid for Afghan Children**. This successful charity organisation constructs, runs and supports the renowned "peace schools". One of the main goals of these schools is "education to peace". In addition to that, thousands of Afghans receive a regular income from the organisation (www.aid-for-afghan-children.de).

The production of the album followed quite an unusual path: On some of the tracks, particularly on the 38-minute-long title track "Hope", the musicians collaborated solely through use of the internet. And even though most of them have never met in person, the result is a cohesive and exciting composition that skilfully interweaves its seven distinct musical movements.

This exceptional album while having its roots firmly planted within the progressive rock genre also reflects the diversity of its many contributors with nods to alternative rock, hard rock, jazz rock and even pop. Both **Spock's Beard** and **Neal Morse** have supported the project by contributing previously unreleased songs to be included on the album.

Customers who bought the album: Please send a mail to postbox@thebeardedproject.de to get the option to download a bonus-CD with 11 additional tracks.