Unmap

Pressures

Artist: Unmap Album: *Pressures* Tracks:

- 1. Wire Rule
- 2. Pirates
- 3. The Gold Route
- 4. Purify
- 5. Monkey Effort
- 6. Take Over
- 7. Altar
- 8. Stone Head
- 9. When To Lead And When To Follow
- **10**. ABC (Hierarchy Of The Alphabet)

Release Date: 2nd December 2013 Label: Sinnbus Format: Download / CD / Vinyl For fans of: AlunaGeorge, NZCA/LINES, Blonde Redhead, Grimes



"...moments of electronic chamber pop with unusual and haunting female vocals..."

- Artrocker

Unmap unveil their impressive debut album **Pressures**, due for release via cutting edge Berlin based label **Sinnbus** on **2nd December 2013**. The band's mesmerizing debut single *When To Lead And When To Follow* was released just before the summer, showcasing the bands unique blend of electronica, RnB and indie creating a sound that belongs purely to Unmap.

Beginning on a sombre note, 'Wire Rule' is sparse and tribal, whilst 'Pirates' feels like **AlunaGeorge** and **NZCA/LINES** on a weird and wonderful comedown. **Mariechen Danz**'s vocals are beguiling, deep and breathy yet strangely beautiful as heard on 'Stone Head'. It's tracks like this and 'When To Lead And When To Follow' that exhibit the band's skill when it comes to great writing, more akin to chamber pop, with off kilter melodies and strange time signatures much like **Blonde Redhead**'s earlier work. More experimental tracks like the forthcoming single 'The Gold Route' and 'Purify' straddle the line between avant-garde electro pop and RnB, somewhere between **Tricky** and **Grimes**. The album explores many themes; cautionary tales of paranoia, protest and colonialism, the barriers of thought, religion and language, the fallacies of power and the weight of impermanence are translated into the language of liquid pop which wears its influences deftly and proudly, woven together by Mariechen's Irish storyteller roots.

Comprised of **Mariechen Danz** (vocals), **Alex Stolze** (violin, guitar, electronics), **Matthias Geserick** (bass) and **Thomas Fietz** (e-drums), the band started life with Mariechen and Alex with the intention to make music to soundtrack her art performances. However, not before long, the pair's soulful, lucid melodies took a life of their own and Unmap was born. Alex had previously worked with Berlin based bands **Dictaphone** and **Bodi Bill** and as the songs took shape, Matthias and Thomas were added to the mix.

Singles *The Gold Route* and *Pirates* will be precede the album's release with videos planned for both and live dates throughout Europe.

Unmap's captivating debut album Pressures will be available via Sinnbus from 2nd December 2013.

- Unmap are available for interviews
- Photographs, online EPK and MP3 downloads available on request
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