

## Get Well Soon – BIO

Get Well Soon is the project of classically trained singer, songwriter and multi-instrumentalist Konstantin Gropper from Germany. "Rest Now, Weary Head" is the debut album, "Vexations" is the second one. He invites us to lean back for a while and close our eyes. Wounds are being bandaged, scars counted. - Breathe - Meanwhile, his music is wandering. Timelessly it roams about in genres: folk and electro are walking hand in hand, classical music is sketching the distant horizon - a faint memory of long gone eras - hook lines of pop music are lying at the wayside, waiting to be touched with the slightest irony. Get Well Soon blends music from all over the world, morricone-like soundtracks to tango, classical montages and and haunting panoramic mood mosaics. It has drawn comparison to Beirut, Patrick Wolf & Tom Waits and both albums were highly acclaimed by press in Germany, France, Benelux as well as the UK. Get Well Soon on stage is a six piece band with many instruments.

Konstantin has assembled his strongest pieces of several years into his two albums: here they shine with the melancholy and the gloom of those, who have gained peace and hope as they have left the eternal dance around a golden calf named progress: Take this hand now / there is no time to waste / the first gets the land / where we need to build our home / Quiet people build the hardest gold. The art of Konstantin concentrates in his ability to elude classification, to forge Get Well Soon anew with every single song. Glinting through are memories of sad ballads of Leonard Cohen; broken groans of Tom Waits; the *laissez faire* of the lost of Nick Cave, and the weightlessness of Thom Yorke.

After 2 albums, 4 videos, many tours and festivals such as Glastonbury, Melt!, Roskilde, Lowlands, Southside, Dour Festival, iTunes Berlin Live or Les Nuits Secrètes as well as sold out shows at for instance Volksbühne Berlin, La Cigale Paris or the concert hall in Dortmund and more throughout whole Europe, Konstantin has as well always composed and recorded music for films such as "Palermo Shooting" directed by Wim Wenders, "Same same but different" by Buck and made the original soundtrack for the dark ARTE TV show "Xanadu" that aired in 2011. The Get Well Soon story will continue with album no III and many more live dates in 2012, if the world does not come to an end as some predicted.