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Perth, Western Australia, February 15th, 2007. The Australian digital music label, Hidden Shoal Recordings, today announced the official release of “Fining”, the new EP by the Australian ambient rock outfit My Majestic Star.

“Fining” is at once luscious and lonely. Its gorgeous hanging guitar tones weave themselves around layered synths and syncopated drums. The EP’s five tracks each draw their own melodic atmosphere and bear witness to a wonderful paradoxical emotional tenor - a kind of hopeful melancholy.

The title track sets the EP up with its harking synth against a mesh of interplaying guitar lines and insistent bass drum, drawing the listener inside its unfolding, dizzying web.

“Several Moments Later” follows and immediately paints a dark, cinematic, guitar, drum and spoken word landscape. The tracks plays out like a short film, soundtrack embedded.

“Attachments” acts as a point of letting go, led by crisp stuttering beats, acoustic guitar and pulsing bass. Guitars strike out long tones like slow moving glaciers. It falls apart, picks itself up and regenerates with purpose.

The EP ends with the upbeat but cautious “The Letter F”. The track with its gently skipping beat and chiming guitars embraces finality with a wry nod to a new beginning. Endlessness and inevitability wrapped in a gorgeous pop song you can imagine driving off into the sunset to.

It is the subtle narrative crafting that makes “Fining” so special. Songs, turn so gently as to make you unaware that you have been left somewhere far different from where you started. Structures are allowed to fall into themselves then pick up again with new binding and direction.

“Fining” is the follow up to the wonderfully received debut album by My Majestic Star, “Ideas are the Answer”. The album was selected by Luna Kafe as one its “Top Ten Albums of 2006” and has received a number of glowing reviews.

“Ideas Are the Answer is optimistic from the title on down; this is a record that respects and honors our melancholy without ever falling for the fallacy that it’s a permanent state of affairs. It’s rootless music for the hours alone—literally” - “Ideas are the Answer” Review Excerpt, **Stylus Magazine**.

“Fining” is now available in all good digital music stores including iTunes, eMusic, Sony Connect and the HSR store.

Hidden Shoal Recordings is an Australian based independent digital music label. The label is a unique marriage of contemporary distribution, marketing and publicity with traditional indie label values and, most importantly, a wonderful catalogue of releases. The label has earned a reputation for releasing exciting and engaging new independent music that is not bound by genre or style.

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