



# **BEXAR BEXAR**

## **HARALAMBOS**

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The rainbow tarnish of copper, the dried salt rings on your favorite shirt in summer, or the stink of cheap hair products...the instrumental music found on Bexar Bexar's debut CD *Haralambos* has a magic to highlight the beauty of the ordinary. Standing alone, at times it delivers the sadness of the change of seasons, while at others it brims with the delicate joy and optimism of a child. Consisting of analog synthesizers, pulsing loops, and guitars, some tracks float with the barely-there ambience of **Brian Eno's** *Music for Airports*. Other tracks gently take your hand with a simple guitar melody, while still others crackle and warble with subtle electronics, all grounded with deep and rumbling bass melodies.

*Haralambos* is rich with contrasts. In it's fifteen tracks it reveals the vastness of the Texas sky on tracks such as "Aidos", while zooming in and feeling almost claustrophobic, on tracks such as "kt" that click and swoon with a modern sadness. You'll find brightness and resolution on the track "Where She Lives Everyday," while the final track, "Sick on Elizabeth," lingers with a nautical emptiness. Overall, the lulling and serene tones will bring to mind the best moments of artists such as **Sigur Ros**, **Mum**, **Labradford**, or even **Fennesz**.

It seems fitting that Bexar Bexar's music is often used on the NPR radio show, *This American Life*. The show's producers deftly weave the music through their tales of life, using it to highlight and magnify the emotions of the moment. Likewise, as a listener you're likely to find that the music reveals its power to move and comfort with every listen.



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