



O-TYPE

WESTERN CLASSICS

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“These veterans of the band MX-80 have evolved into something that nobody’s found a name for yet” – **Henry Kaiser**

“... pitched somewhere between AMM, Can and the electronic sound of Cologne.” – **The Wire**

O-Type is members of the legendary and iconoclast **MX-80** sans singer **Rich Stim**. Here Bay Area guitarist / bassist **Bruce Anderson**, sampler/sound sculptor **Dale Sophiea**, **Jim Hrabetin** (guitar, bass) and the dual drums of **Dave Mahoney** and **Marc Weinstein** facilitate a dark venture into electronic ambient tendencies within a six-string frame that references the sustained tones of **Morton Feldman** to **Ennio Morricone**. *Western Classics* is not a tribute per se to the films represented as song titles (“Mean Streets,” “The Searchers,” “Out of the Past”) though each musical venture takes a nod to the cinematic view before remorphing and adding fields of abstraction. The final piece “McCabe & Mrs. Miller (with deleted scenes)” pools together the members’ three decades of musical research of minimalism, sound collage, music concrete, and composition into a 30-minute epic that stands above and without association with any current musical trends or scenes.

Western Classics is the fifth release in O-Type’s **New Edge Series** of ambient music that contained previous albums *Lugubrious*, *Medication*, *Balkana: Brutality II* and *Strict*.

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