

DEUTER / Interview for Yogamates

1) YM: When did music enter your life?

D: *When I was a boy, my mother would sing folk songs to me. This is my first memory of music.*

2) YM: Please describe your unique sound.

D: *It is very difficult for me to describe my music. From my point of view, it is continuously changing and evolving. The sounds and the music I create are expressions of my inner nature. But I would be honored if the listener could recognize these sounds as Deuter music.*

3) YM: What inspires you to create music?

D: *I just love to make music. What inspires me is the beauty of nature and the sense of gratefulness for life.*

4) YM: What is your intention when creating a piece?

D: *The intention is simply to have fun while playing music. A creative process is immensely gratifying.*

5) YM: How did you meet Osho? What led to you creating the music for his meditations?

D: *I was travelling in Asia with some Sufis and Gurdjieff followers in the*

early 1970's. At this time I had a longing to look for a living Master. I visited various ashrams, temples, and yogis. I finally ended up in Bombay, where I met Osho. He touched me like no other, and invited me to play music for meditation under his direction at the ashram in Pune. I gladly accepted the invitation, and ended up staying there for some years.

6) YM: What does your meditation and yoga practice look like?

D: I practice yoga every day. I've also been going to yoga classes for years. As for meditation, music is my meditation.

7) YM: Describe yourself in 5 words.

D: If I must: artist, mystic, friend, bee-keeper, nature-lover.

8) YM: What music do you like to listen to?

D: It constantly changes. It depends on the mood I'm in, or the space I want to create. At the moment I am listening to Renaissance music. My favorite composers in general are Bach, Mozart, Monte Verde, Vivaldi, Maré, Tartini, and all the Baroque masters.

9) YM: What do you think about the new wave of yoga and meditation that has taken America by storm?

D: Anything that makes people more conscious and aware is something that we can be grateful for.

10) YM: Thank you for joining us! What is on the horizon for you? Where can we find out more about you?

You're welcome! My next project in co-operation with my label New Earth Records is called "Notes from a Planet." This CD features pure nature sounds, without any music. The sounds of birds, water and wind are often no longer perceived consciously. We have become so accustomed to them, they have faded into oblivion, or they are covered up by man-made noises. Listening in this conscious way and hearing deeply, we can restore our lost sense of being in tune with ourselves and the world around us.

For more info on Deuter, you can find him on Myspace as well as on the New Earth Records website: www.newearthrecords.com