

THOLLEM's Hot Pursuit Of Happiness

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Hot Pursuit Of Happiness is Thollem's solo approach to his songs. Through a synthesizer and a microphone he forges elements of Punk Rock, Folk, Blues and Noise as well as many other influences from around this multi-cultural country.

"Political debauchery and a forward vocal delivery from Thollem that comes a-swingin' right out of the gate"
- Chocolate Grinder, Tiny Mix Tapes

Over the last decade, Thollem's toured non-stop internationally, recording with over a hundred different musicians from a wide variety of genres resulting in more than 60 albums on 22 different vanguard labels. As a vocalist, Thollem's been releasing albums the last 10 years with his Italian agit-punk band Tsigoti (5th album soon), Hand To Man Band (Mike Watt, John Dieterich, Tim Barnes)

and Andy Kaufman plus his initial solo album 'Machine in The Ghost'. He's planning on releasing the first HPOH album later this year.

Thollem has performed and recorded with members of Deerhoof, The Minutemen, Yeah Yeah Yeahs, Half Japanese, Wilco, Unwound, Old Time Relijun, Cibo Matto, Jealousy Party, Stars Like Fleas, Tenderizer and more.

"Fluid keys pulverization" - Brad Cohan, Spin Magazine

February/March 2018 press:

[An interview with Thollem](#) has been published by LiveEye TV
A profile in Bandcamp by Brad Cohan is upcoming.

"An intense and virtuosic keyboardist"
- TimeOut, New York

"Machine In The Ghost is a recontextualizing of folk and blues, reconnecting these traditions to the kind of vital socio-political conditions that initially inspired them."
- Iggy Pot, LiveEyeTV

"A relentless zigzag of rhythms, densities, and moods that ranges from kinetic, tightly wound flurries to calm, meditative queries."
- Peter Margasak, The Chicago Reader

"A true original" - Terry Riley

"Endless worlds of possibility"
- J. Lawrence, Columbia Free Times

"Edgy, uneven and sometimes disquieting. A rollicking success."
- J. Worley, Aiding & Abetting



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