

one umbrella

the solve EP



“**It’s actually hard to imagine** that instruments were even used to craft something this otherworldly and majestic... I’m surprised everyone isn’t talking about their lush, constantly shifting approach to creating honest feelings through sound.”
-Owen McLean, *Delusions of Adequacy*

“Without question, this is the **most ambitious album** I’ve heard this year.”
-Darren Susin, *cdreviews.com*

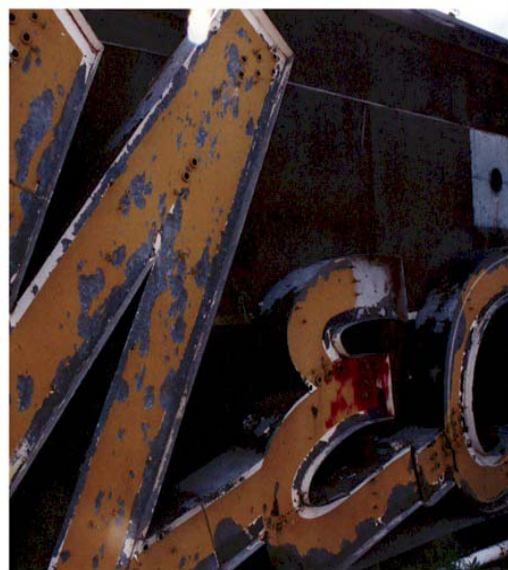
Hovering between synthetic and organic, meticulous composition and improvisation, silence and raw noise, One Umbrella create sounds that are uniquely melodic, yet always living at and exploring the boundaries of musical sound.

Comprised of Quebron and Novella, the Austin, TX-based duo challenge opposing values using a variety of sources and composition structures, taking cues from such figures as Brian Eno and Glenn Branca as well as noted labels Orthlorng Musork and Mego. They have self-released three records since forming in early 2003. *XPXPV* is a set of improvisations from the band's early sessions, released later that year. *Consider the Opposite*, an experimental EP split down the middle with the second half perfectly mirroring the first, followed in early 2004. After *XPXPV* went out of print, the band collected several of its tracks as well as other unreleased pieces to release *Kompilation* in late 2004. The first Tell-All Records compilation, also released in late 2004, featured two tracks from *XPXPV* as well.

The Solve EP presents two pieces from *Consider the Opposite*, including four tracks which anchor the center of the album. This suite highlights the duo’s creative use of reverse tape. The EP also features three new tracks from an as-yet-untitled LP on Tell-All Records. The strength and diversity of these tracks highlight One Umbrella's proficiency - from the overt harshness of *xestyl* to the reluctant build of bells chiming throughout the atmospheric *eintrocinc*.

Though the sounds they create cover nearly the entire gamut of potential sound, all of One Umbrella's music shares the same goal: the exploration of new ideas in music, consistently testing boundaries and challenging the listener. *The Solve EP* is a testament to their past efforts and offers a preview of their upcoming work.

recommended if you like: brian eno, tarentel, fennesz, matmos, kranky records, mego records



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track listing

recommended tracks in **bold**

1. itxitxx
2. **OIOI**
3. xestyl
4. 8trs
5. uhm
6. mhu
7. srt8
8. **eintrocinc**

1, 4-7 from previously released
Consider the Opposite;

2, 3, 8 from upcoming LP on Tell-All

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