



Song Review: MIDI MASTA - Bukhoor

Overall Impression: "Bukhoor" is an exotic new release from composer/producer MIDI MASTA. Bubbling middle eastern percussion fuses with ethnic strings and flutes on this track to establish a mysterious and exciting atmosphere, transporting the listener to a desert bazaar. A beautifully evocative melody is passed between instruments, building in intensity and incredibly rich layers of texture, before culminating with a precipitous climax. At a short but sweet 78 seconds, MIDI MASTA's "Bukhoor" is perfect for any music lover wishing to take a brief sonic sojourn into the Arabic world.

Strongest Point(s): Outstanding production, excellent mix. Fantastic atmosphere, very transportive. Great instrumentation and a nice arrangement, solid build. Percussion sounds really good. The sound design elements work well early on. Wonderfully haunting melody, nice voicing. I liked the short oud riff you used at the end. Overall, it's a terrific composition and production, albeit somewhat abbreviated. Nice work, all around!

Target Audience Appeal: Fans of World Music, Middle Eastern Instrumental, Cinematic, Soundtrack

Artist target suggestions: Silk Road Ensemble, Yo-Yo Ma, L'Arpeggiata, Constantinople, Pera Ensemble, Sumak Trio, Alawan Ensemble, Faran Ensemble, The Diwan Project

About The Reviewer: Steven Azami is a multi-instrumentalist with over 25 years of experience in the music industry. Both as a touring/session player and as a producer, his career has spanned nearly every genre, from bluegrass to jazz, from rock to reggae. In addition, his work as a music educator has allowed him to cultivate and foster talent among the next generation of musical explorers