

Discography



A Sweetish Tune Noctambule Music, CD NOCT003 (2017)

A Sweetish Tune is 'mostly' Irish traditional music, along with a few newer compositions in traditional forms. Selections include a Charlie Lennon reel, John Whelan waltz, material by the great O'Carolan, along with a few from Marla. The title track is a waltz composed by the duo, joined by Aryeh Frankfurter on nyckelharpa. Their goal was a conversational style of playing, featuring the tones and textures of their instruments in various combinations, revealing their distinct musical personalities and influences. The recording also includes a few lovingly chosen songs — a traditional Irish ballad, a

contemporary ballad, written by a Canadian songwriter about a devastating fire and its very personal aftermath, and a tender love song – their own setting of the Khalil Gibran poem, Song Of The Wave.



The Waking Noctambule Music, CD NOCT002 (2015)

The Waking continues Marla and Bruce's joint exploration of setting poetry to music that was featured first in Travel In The Shadows. The selected poetry in The Waking explores the vicissitudes, inscrutability, and ultimately indomitable nature of time. Music is inspired by the poetry of W H Auden, Stephen Vincent Benét, Sylvia Plath, Ted Hughes, Jenny Joseph, and

Theodore Roethke. Offerings range in tone from direly sombre to provocatively giddy, and include an original waltz and slow air. Special guests are Aryeh Frankfurter, Athena Tergis, Nuala Kennedy, Jeri Jones and Tom Neylan.



Travel In The Shadows Noctambule Music, CD NOCT001 (2013)

Bruce and Marla's debut release is a good old fashioned concept album, exploring the idea of the night journey. The songs are settings of the poetry of Robert W Service, as well as works by Theodore Roethke, Pablo Neruda, Alfred Lord Tennyson and Edna St Vincent Millay. It was from this exploration, and from one of the Service selections on the recording, that they took

the name Noctambule. The album also includes an original waltz and a reel. Special guests include Corinne West, Tom Neylan, Jeri Jones, Sylvia Herold and Susan Spurlock.

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