

ASTRAL PROJECTIONS

A Polyfusion of Media

MUSIC PERFORMED BY -

CENTRAL MAINE POWER MUSIC COMPANY

VIDEO BY -

SURVIVAL ARTS MEDIA and BILL ETRA — on the

Rutt/Etra Video Synthesizer

AT THE



STRASENBURGH PLANETARIUM

OF THE ROCHESTER MUSEUM AND SCIENCE CENTER

A live music and video environment in the Star Theatre Dome of the planetarium. The R/E video synthesizer will be interfaced with a mini-computer, star projector, and color video projection system. The result - a polyfusion of media.

FRIDAY - SEPTEMBER 20th. and SATURDAY - SEPTEMBER 21st. at 9:15 P.M.

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August 1 -

Dear S & W -

Thought that you would be interested in looking at a system design that Bill has talked Hearn into developing - It appears that Horie Gutstaedt will be ordering one - If you or anyone you know might be interested - we suggest you contact us or Hearn fairly soon - (we are afraid (from past experience) that he might realize that he's selling them real cheap!)

Let us know what you think of this package regardless of \$ matters -

Hope to hear from you soon -

Love,

William

Dec. 13, 1974

Dear Genny -

Just heard from the Vasulkas that you were ill - Hope you're fully recovered by this time. The Vasulkas Show was terrific!

I spoke to Shigeo Kubota today and she suggested that it would not be too late to submit tapes for showing at the Belgium Festival -

If you could take these two tapes with you, Bill and I would be most appreciative.

Good luck in Belgium - we're sure it will be quite an event -
Wishing you a Happy New Year!

Love,
Janice R. R.

1 - NARCISSICON -

by Bill and Louise Etra

Done at WNET Television Laboratory -
one the prototype of the Putt/Etra
Video Synthesizer -

- A self-exploratory synthesized
piece in the art nouveau style -

2 - Heart + beat -

by Peter Crown / Bill and Louise Etra

Done at WNET TN. Lab with the aid of the R/E synthesized

One of a series of pieces using bio-telemetry
equipment - which monitors various bodily
signals (in this case heartbeat)

The synthesizer is used to modulate the
circle - The heartbeat signal is amplified
and used to modify the image

3 - PDP 11-10

by Bill Etra

Done at Sycom Center at University of Florida at
Tampa - (over)

An animation of the video raster using
a digital computer in conjunction with
the Putt/Etra video synthesizer -

4- Bell Labs - Experiment #1 -

Bill Etra/Laurie Spiegel

Groove system at Bell Labs with
Putt/Etra Synthesizer interfaced