



## Hidden Shoal Recordings



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### Hidden Shoal Recordings » City Of Satellites Signing

**Perth, Western Australia; Adelaide, South Australia; and Sydney, New South Wales; September 12th, 2008. The Australian music label Hidden Shoal Recordings is proud to announce the signing of Australian post-rock dreampop duo City Of Satellites.**

In City Of Satellites' music, raw guitar tones, rich vocal melodies and dynamic percussive rhythms dance and weave around layers of vintage synthesizers, textures and sequences, creating ethereal yet structured electronic pop music. The band flesh out the elegant skeleton of post-rock with the warm, melodic muscle of shoegaze rock, mustering an all-enveloping sound reminiscent of The Cure, Mogwai and M83.

Initially struck by the challenges of incompatible technologies and living in different parts of the country, Jarrod Manuel (vocals, guitars, synthesizers) and Thomas Diakomichalis (drums, synthesizers, programming) were forced to develop a simple yet reliable approach to producing their music at distance. Recorded works in progress were physically mailed back and forth and developed in isolation, resulting in serendipitous joint compositions. While technology has progressed – and City Of Satellites is now not as dependent upon Australia Post – this notion of remote collaboration persists, and helps define the spaces and contrasts in City of Satellites' sound.

Thomas and Jarrod initially began writing music inspired by the shoegazer, stoner and grunge heroes of their high-school days, but over time the influence of the '80s music of their formative years has become more pronounced and more deeply explored.

City Of Satellites' debut EP *The Spook* will be released on 25th November, 2008 through Hidden Shoal Recordings. The EP will round out what has been an amazing year of releases for the label, including new signings Fall Electric, and fantastic new albums from Hidden Shoal mainstays Sankt Otten and Slow Dancing Society

Hidden Shoal Recordings is an Australia-based independent music label that has earned a reputation for releasing exciting and engaging new independent music that is not bound by genre or style. Hidden Shoal Recordings was recently chosen as one of the top ten favourite labels of 2007 by Textura magazine and has been dubbed "This generation's 4AD" by prominent New York radio host DJ Mojo.

**Label Site:** <http://music.hiddenshoal.com>

**City Of Satellites:** <http://www.myspace.com/cityofsatellites>