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Perth, Western Australia, July 9th, 2007.
The Australian digital music label, Hidden Shoal Recordings, today announced the signing of two new international artists to its roster.

Jumpel (Germany) will release his debut album with Hidden Shoal Recordings on the 7th of August, 2007. Despite its obvious mastery of the dizzying possibilities afforded by technology, Jumpel's debut album *Samuel Jason Lies On The Beach* is a work of intense intimacy and humanity. The album serves as a testament to the power of careful distillation and minimalism, exuding an emotional complexity that belies its seemingly simple surface. Tracks were borne out of discrete nocturnal recording sessions where ideas sparked from a range of disparate sources: an old drum machine, a radio announcement, a forgotten guitar chord. Through a process of layering and weaving, the album began to take shape. Opaque electronic textures act like sinew, binding themselves to piano and string melodies. The result is an album that must be heard as a whole, yet seems to exist without a real beginning or end.

On the 21st August, 2007 Hidden Shoal Recordings will release the *Yesterday* EP by Cheekbone (Japan). Luscious, disorientating and utterly enchanting, *Yesterday* is essential listening. Cheekbone's agile, amorphous brand of ambient electronica is constantly transforming, evoking the growth of nature and the decay of light across space, agitated by human activity and the background chatter and clang of everyday life.

It is music that constantly aches for a sense of nostalgic melancholy, pining for something that can only exist as memory and imagination.

Kuoichi's experimentation with melody and texture to create luminous new soundscapes evokes seminal British electronic acts such as Aphex Twin, Plaid and Boards of Canada. He has recently remixed a track by Italian band Port-Royal, and improvises live with laptop and synthesizer in his hometown of Nara, Japan.

Hidden Shoal Recordings is an Australian based independent digital music label. The label is a unique marriage of contemporary distribution, marketing and publicity with traditional indie label values and, most importantly, a wonderful catalogue of releases. Our current distribution channels include iTunes, eMusic, Sony Connect and the HSR Store.

Hidden Shoal Recordings current catalogue includes releases that slip between the edges of experimental ambient work, shoegazing pop, post-rock and indie rock. The label has earned a reputation for releasing exciting and engaging new independent music that is not bound by genre or style.

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