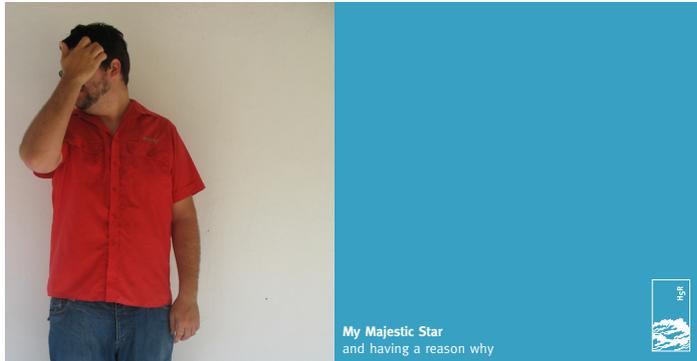




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### Hidden Shoal Recordings » My Majestic Star Single Release

**Perth, Western Australia, July 31st 2008.**  
Australian music label Hidden Shoal Recordings today announced the release of the new single 'and having a reason why' by Australian ambient-rock artist My Majestic Star, taken from the forthcoming sophomore album *Too Late, The Day*.

A twenty-first-century update of the sublime shoegaze sounds of Ride, My Majestic Star's new single carries the listener across an expansive guitarscape with its distinctive bass-driven groove. 'and having a reason why' is a vertiginous wall of sound, suspended aloft with updrafts of delay and reverb and, for the first time on a My Majestic Star release, Chris Mason's heavenly vocals. This is dance music for sleepwalkers and dreamers.

Both an extension of and contrast to his work as a solo artist and with Glassacre, My Majestic Star is Chris Mason's space for exploring the emotive power of layered guitars, piano, bass and drums, occasionally introducing his haunting voice to the mix, cloaked in reverb, carrying the listener into a soft-focus reverie. A perfect introduction to the eagerly awaited second album, this new single will be available for free download until the release of *Too Late, The Day* on August 26th.

*"My Majestic Star's songs reach for the sky like all the best post-rock but you never get the sense he's trying to blow your face off... Mason steers well clear of obvious influences. He manages to make music from relative isolation that like a lot of absolutely solo work tends towards the quiet and wounded... Ideas Are the Answer is optimistic from the title on down; this a record that respects and honors our melancholy without*

*ever falling for the fallacy that it's a permanent state of affairs" – Stylus Magazine on Ideas Are The Answer*

My Majestic Star is Chris Mason (Glassacre, Chris Mason Implosion). Chris has been around music all his life, and has been writing music for almost as long. Aided by close contact with working musicians in the form of his father, brother and sisters, Chris developed a love of melody and song from an early age. He has been writing and performing music in various guises ever since, working at his craft with an enthusiasm and openness that characterises all of his releases.

The seeds of My Majestic Star's debut album *Ideas Are The Answer* were sown in early 2000 when Chris began experimenting in the studio. What began as a couple of soundtrack pieces and experiments with narrative quickly became an album, released in 2006. This was soon followed by the sublime *Fining* EP in 2007. The new album *Too Late, The Day* will be released on Hidden Shoal on 26th August.

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 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.

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