

# DAVID YOUNGS

## Transcience

### Independent

David Youngs, one time jazz drummer and bass player, is now getting on with the business of turning himself into a singer / songwriter, but one with jazz sensibilities, arrangements and all round fiddly bits. Now before we go on further, blues purists should really pack up and move on to the next review, because there isn't really much for you here, but people who like Eric Roche, Wes Montgomery, John Abercrombie and others of their ilk, will find a lot to enjoy here. Having said that, a few of the tunes do pass you by in a blur of BBC Natural History Unit soundtrack to a film about alpaca crias, but that's always a danger when it comes to minimalist, acoustic instrumentals. But when he gets things right, as he does on 'Technomantra', a tune written in Thailand, and on 'Sun Spirit', which reminisces about his days as a busker in London, then it's well worth a listen. The most enjoyable number for me was 'Sea Shapes', which really did bring about a feeling of standing alone, staring out to sea, feeling the salt spray on your face (something I spend a lot of time doing). It's certainly not the blues, but it's definitely interesting.

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