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The band, and *Morgen's* arc were – cribbing Kurt Vonnegut – unstuck in time. It took 50 years for Steve Morgen's belief, for instance, that an alternate, superior version of his stellar "Purple" was recorded in 1968. It sees release here, alongside other takes of songs from the album, including a version of "Beggin' Your Pardon (Ms. Joan)" on which Morgen's fiery guitarist Murray Shiffrin sings lead and songs the band recorded as possibilities for the album, before settling on their dense, hazy vision and etching an indelible entry into the psychedelic canon.



Disc One: Original Album

01. Welcome To The Void • 02. Of Dreams
03. Beggin' Your Pardon (Ms. Joan)
04. Eternity In Between • 05. Purple
06. She's The Nitetime • 07. Love

Disc Two: Unreleased And Alternate Takes

01. Purple • 02. She's The Nitetime
03. Love (Alternate Take/Mix)
04. Beggin' Your Pardon (Ms. Joan)
05. Purple • 06. She's The Nitetime
07. Welcome To The Void (Alternate Mix)
08. All I Know • 09. Everything's Gone
10. Woke Up This Morning
11. She's The Nitetime (Chorus Vocal)

Disc Three: Instrumentals

01. Welcome To The Void (Alternate Mix) (Instrumental)
02. Beggin' Your Pardon (Ms. Joan) (Instrumental)
03. She's The Nitetime (Instrumental)
04. She's The Nitetime (Instrumental)
05. Purple (Instrumental) • 06. Purple (Instrumental)
07. Eternity (Instrumental) • 08. Love (Instrumental)
09. Woke Up This Morning (Instrumental)
10. All I Know (Instrumental)
11. Everything's Gone (Instrumental)

FORMAT: 3xCD
CATALOG: NA5222-CD
LABEL: Now Again Records
STREET: 09/24/21



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The set is rounded out with the inclusion of extensive liner notes by Jeff "Chairman" Mao as well as never-before seen photos and ephemera in an oversized book. Download card for WAV files for all vinyl tracks and additional bonus tracks.



Original Album:

A1. Welcome To The Void • A2. Of Dreams
A3. Beggin' Your Pardon (Ms. Joan)
A4. Eternity In Between

B1. Purple • B2. She's The Nitetime • B3. Love

Unreleased And Alternate Takes:

C1. Purple • C2. She's The Nitetime
C3. Love (Alternate Take/Mix)
C4. Beggin' Your Pardon (Ms. Joan)

D1. Purple • D2. She's The Nitetime
D3. Welcome To The Void (Alternate Mix)
D4. All I Know • D5. Everything's Gone
D6. Woke Up This Morning

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