BEAR FAMILY RECORDS



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INFO:

- Here comes the 2nd part of Bear Family's mystery series! Sometimes orchestral, sometimes horrorrockabilly, in any case mysterious!
- There has always been horror, as the present recordings from four decades, from 1930 to 1966, prove!
- As in the first volume of 'The Shadow Knows', the title refers to the legendary radio series of the early 1930s. The original intro to the radio series here for the first time on CD!
- A sort of title song in this unique compilation is The Shadow Knows by Gene Vincent's Blue Cap Paul Peek.
- Mighty threatening orchestral interludes come from Ted Heath, Jimmy Carroll and the "small" orchestra, The Champs, while it swings menacingly when Louis Armstrong is afraid of the Spooks and Putney Dandridge and his orchestra discover the Skeleton In The Closet!
- There's also a series of rockabilly rhythms that will freeze your blood in your veins, including some
 instrumentals, especially the groovy *Theme from 'The Devils Hand'* by Baker Knight, and also Duane
 Eddy, Freddy Countryman and even the Mexican Los Gibson Boys with *El Vampiro*.
- By far the greatest rarity is a radio transcription by Dean Martin from 1954, his version of Ghost Riders In The Sky!
- The colorful 24-page booklet is, as always, peppered with booklet stories about recordings and artists, written by Chicago music journalist Bill Dahl, and numerous photos and illustrations.

The Shadow Knows!

Part 2 of 'The Shadow Knows' proves once again that a Halloween compilation doesn't have to be crude, silly or boring. We look back on the long tradition of the annual autumnal demon expulsion and also on the long musical tradition that unites both. Through long research we have once again (re)discovered a whole series of rare recordings from music history, which will inspire you to groove, fear, dance and smile, and which will also appeal to the die-hard music fan and collector's heart. And certainly not only for Halloween. It should also be noted that the roots of Psychobilly, developed in the 1980s, are to be found here. It's best to listen in the dark with a touch of candlelight, then you'll get goose bumps. Happy Halloween!

Rarities parade instead of hit parade

As always, part of the concept is to focus on rare shots that are not to be found on every single compilation. Accordingly, you should definitely get the previous 'The Shadow Knows'-CD, because you can listen to both CDs one after the other and stay in horror fever. Enriched with two radio trailers we can present a number of songs that haven't been available on CD before. For example rare recordings of Billy Duke and The Dukes, Jan August, Bill Buchanan (from Buchanan & Goodman) and the funny Somethin' Smith and The Readheads. The novelty recordings of Bob McFadden & Dor (Rod McKuen) and of country singer Salty Holmes are also very funny. Particularly rare is an emotionally charged version of the classic *Ghost Riders In The Sky*, which Dean Martin immortalized as a radio recording in 1954, as well as a full single by a certain Bob Guy, in which the young Frank Zappa is involved. The whole package is rounded off with a series of gaudy Rockabilly recordings and heavy Rock 'n' Roll instrumentals. The latter even with one of Mexico's top bands of the time, a rarity of Los Gibson Boys! Of course, the CD is accompanied by comments on every single song by the renowned music journalist Bill Dahl from Chicago as well as many photos and illustrations in the 24-page booklet!

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TRACKLISTING:

CD:

David Carroll & His Orchestra: Hell's Bells Daddy Cleanhead & The Chuck Higgins Band: Something's Goin' On In My Room Kenny Owens: Frog Man Hop Bert Convy: The Gorilla Billy Duke & His Dukes: Roland Carlos Casal Jr.: Don't Meet Mr. Frankenstein Bob McFadden & Dor with The 7 Spirits: Frankie And Igor At A Rock 'n' Roll Party Bobby Please & The Pleasers: The Monster Ted Heath & His Music: The Creep ohne: Vampire Circus Movie Trailer Putney Dandridge & His Orchestra: The Skeleton In The Closet Jackie Brooks: The Raven Freddy Countryman: The Raven Duane Turley with The Tads: Devil's Den Bill Buchanan: Beware! Alma Cogan: Mystery Street Jan August: The Naughty Ghost Somethin's Somethin's Somethin's Somethin's Devil's Hand' Baron Daemon & The Vampires: Ghost Guitars Duane Eddy: Twistin' Off A Cliff Bob Guy: Dear Jeepers Bracey Everett: The Lover's Curse Jim Burgett: Jekyll And Hide The Crossfires: Dr. Jekyll And Mr. Hyde Louis Armstrong & Gordon Jenkins & His Orchestra: Spooks! The Champs: Experiment In Terror The Sherwoods: Tickler Paul Peek: The Shadow Knows: Radio Intro To 'Detective Story Hour'

ALSO AVAILABLE:

Various Artists: The Shadow Knows, Vol. 1 34 Scary Tales From The Vaults Of Horror

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