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THE MOOG

**"RAZZMATAZZ ORFEUM" OUT
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**"A tremendous step forward... Razzmatazz Orfeum is the surefire sign of a band ready to ascend to unimaginable heights"
-ABSOLUTE PUNK.NET**

Los Angeles, CA - Hungary has made some notable contributions to the world over the years: goulash, Rubik's Cube, and Zsa Zsa Gabor, among them... but rock music?? That certainly doesn't come to mind—that is, until now. Budapest's **THE MOOG** blend 60s garage, art and post punk, with catchy pop rock on their second album *Razzmatazz Orfeum*, on **MuSick Recordings**.

Led by baritone-voiced singer **Tonyo Szabo**, **THE MOOG** are a combination of both alternative and pop influences made unique by the band's Eastern European sound. Their debut album *Sold For Tomorrow* was mixed by legendary producer **Jack Endino** (renowned for his work on Nirvana's "Bleach"). *Sold For Tomorrow* produced the underground indie rock hit single "I Like You."

The band's new and highly anticipated second album was recorded in Seattle with producer **Geoff Ott** (**Pearl Jam**, **Queens Of The Stone Age**, **Mark Lanegan**) and offers the listener something quite uncommon in this day and age: the immersion of a total album experience.

The first single from **Razzmatazz Orfeum** is "**You Raised A Vampire**" and will be released on **colored vinyl 7"** with stunning artwork by Gris Grimly. The 7" also includes a B-side cover of the **Bauhaus** classic "**The Passion Of Lovers**" featuring Bauhaus and Love & Rockets bassist/vocalist **David J**, who became a fan of The Moog after seeing them perform in Los Angeles in 2008. The video for "**You Raised A Vampire**," was shot in Budapest:
<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=gMbeCRD5Y2g>

New single "**When I See You**" and its video, by director **Anthony Garth** (who shot the **White Stripes'** clips for "**We Are Going To Be Friends**" and "**Hotel Yorba**") is out now. The video is currently getting play in all major US music video outlets, including **FUSE** and **MTV** (a favorite at **Subterranean**).
<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=EG5H8qYpzGA>

Formed in Budapest in 2004 by then-teenagers **Tonyo Szabo** (vocals), **Adi Bajor** (guitar) and **Gergo Dorozsmai** (drums), and later joined by **Csaba Szabo** (bass) and **Miguel Gyorgy** (second guitar), **THE MOOG** have been compared to such modern-day chart-toppers as The Strokes and The Hives; but their influences run deep and wide: The Beatles, David Bowie, The Sonics, The Smiths, Ramones, Roxy Music and Bauhaus are all responsible for inspiring the band's sound.

Though at first criticized by the old establishment in their native country, **THE MOOG** are pioneers to their homeland rock brethren by being the first popular Hungarian band to sing in English and tour Western Europe and the U.S. Soviet rule prevented previous generations from being exposed to the artists that influenced the young quintet, but The Moog members were exposed to **MTV** and the western alternative bands on the network, such as **Nirvana**, **Sonic Youth** and **Blur**. This eye opening experience led the band to reach back to classic American and British 60s and 70s rock and punk. The Moog found their well-hidden muse and the rest, as they say, is history.

THE MOOG will be touring throughout 2010 in support of **Razzmatazz Orfeum**.

*"This worldwide album hits so many perfect hooks that you are left spinning."
- The Big Take Over*

*"With Buzzcocks-sounding intros and fuzzy pop bodies... they have a F*cking star with a capital F in lead singer Tonyo, who struts, preens, and confronts with the best of them."
- Tiny Mix Tapes*

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