

## TouchXtone Newsletter

News, CDs, Reviews

Dear Jim,

Normal March weather here in Georgia. Up into the 80's over the weekend, trees are blooming, and likely to get cold again later this week. But at the moment, it's spring! We'll probably have an ice storm before the month finishes up.

Not a whole lot new to report, but did want to update those in Atlanta about 2 shows coming up we'd love to see you attend. One just got scheduled over the weekend and the other you should plan on if you want to see one of the leading performers in the ambient music genre.

We'll check in with you again next month. There's a few things brewing that should be ready by then. Until then, be sure to check out the shows below. Thanks!

Jim Combs & Michael Thomas Roe of TouchXtone

### Jim Combs Solo Show At Aurora Coffee Vi-Hi

Saturday, March 18, 2006 8:30 - 9:15pm



Jim will perform a solo set this Saturday at the Virginia-Highlands Aurora Coffee location as part of the Criminal Records local songwriters series, hosted by Brad Jones. Jim will be doing some ambient and down-tempo spontaneous compositions, and his performance is an opener for the main act, The Annunaki.

Aurora Coffee is at 992 N. Highland Avenue, Atlanta, GA 30306, just south of the corner of Virginia and Highland. There is no cover charge for the performance. Aurora has great coffee, tea, juice, and pastries. So stop by and see what mischief Jim can get himself into. Jim starts promptly at 8:30pm.

Jim will be using a small setup consisting of his Sequentix P3 analog sequencer, a Novation Nova synthesizer, a couple of Korg Electribe drum machines, a Lexicon Jamman, and maybe his Roland JD-800. He's hoping to open the show with an Oblique Strategies-based composition with audience participation.

- [Criminal Records on MySpace](#)
- [Aurora Coffee Web Site](#)

### Robert Rich's Atlanta Concert Is April 9th!

Experimental cellist Diana Obscura will open show



Atlanta is fortunate to be the fifth stop on Robert Rich's 10-week tour around the U.S., Sunday, April 9 at the Eyedrum Gallery.

EyeDrum is located at Suite 8, 290 Martin Luther King Jr. Drive SE, Atlanta, GA 30312. Phone: 404-522-0655. Doors open at 8pm, Diana Obscura begins promptly at 8:30pm, and Robert begins promptly at 9:30pm. Tickets are \$10 each.

#### Robert Rich Biography

With over two dozen albums, Robert Rich has helped define the genres of ambient music, dark-ambient, tribal and trance, yet his music remains hard to categorize. Part of his unique sound comes from using home-made acoustic and electronic instruments, microtonal tunings, computer-based signal processing, chaotic systems and feedback networks.

#### Diana Obscura Biography

Diana Obscura creates spare, powerful, and evocative songs for cello and voice, which are influenced by early and avant classical music. Damon Young (of The Changelings) has teamed up with her on the new project, adding electronic sounds and manipulation, field recordings, guitar, and percussion. She is currently featured on the soundtrack of the independent film Ashtide, playing with the Hungry Flower Gamelan, and working on a full length ambient CD with Damon Young.

"Watching ethereal vocalist and cellist Diana Obscura, the listener gets the feeling that she has stepped out of a fractured fairy tale book. With her wild mane of hair and her cello poised low, she attacks the instrument with the fury of Johnny Ramone and the reckless grace of a possessed Cinderella." -Lee Smith, Creative Loafing

- [Robert Rich Web Site](#)
- [Rich/Obscura Atlanta Show Information](#)
- [Diana Obscura Web Site](#)
- [EyeDrum Web Site](#)

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