

# John Clay Allen

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## John Clay Allen Announces New Experimental Electronic Album *Asnières*

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John Clay Allen announces his debut album with the experimental electronic release, *Asnières*. The forthcoming LP picks up where his fixed media works leave off with long, spectral drones and intricate granular synth-driven textures. The album is set for release on June 26, 2020.

The conception of *Asnières* began more than a year ago when Allen connected contact mics to an old Wurlitzer upright piano that he proceeded to take apart piece by piece. The result is a comprehensive catalog of sounds and textures that Allen then shapes into astonishingly varied sonic landscapes.

The album ranges in scope from the *musique concrète* “Rail” pieces to the harmonic and rhythmically driven “Be Calm / You’re Gone,” to the almost IDM-like “Mont St-Michel” and “Pontorson.” While much of the music is noisy or ambient, Allen nonetheless achieves an impressive emotional range, reminiscent of his orchestral music.

Composition on the album began in earnest in 2019 while Allen was living in Paris, and many of the track are titled for places in France. Composition was completed in Ruidoso, NM during the first wave of the global COVID-19 pandemic and mixed in the composer’s home studio in Denver in May 2020.

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