

KOSHOWKO - Bio

"...Clever, catchy, dangerously original, well produced, and largely under the radar. Do not risk not knowing about this stuff."

(*'Anarchy Monarchy'* EP review - BEAT Magazine)

Electronic **Dance-Dub-Hop** act **KOSHOWKO** is the musical brainchild of Polish born **Martin K**, philosopher turned music producer. Martin K has spent the last couple of years producing music videos, podcasts or working in close collaboration with various electronic and dance artists. These have included production and remixes for Disco Stu, Philosophy Of Sound, B(if)tek, Winduptoys, Tiatto and Valley Forge.

Over the last two years Koshowko has performed many gigs in Victoria, including at Click Click, First Floor, Ding Dong as well as at festivals such as Fringe, Renaissance, Opoeia, Electundra and St Kilda Festival.



In December 2007 Koshowko toured in Germany promoting their debut EP *'Anarchy Monarchy'*.

'Anarchy Monarchy' received rave reviews in various street press and takes you on a journey from the extremely catchy *'It's Time Now'* to the cheeky disco-rock anthem *'(Hu)mannequin'* to the retro electro infused *'The Story'* to the dub influenced *'Whispers'*. The EP ends with a funky-analogue remix of *'The Story'* by **Nicole Skeltys**, known for her work as a part of the femme-tech duos B(if)tek and Artificial.

In March 2009 Koshowko's *'The Story'* was selected out of over 15,500 entrants to become the finalist of *The International Songwriting Competition*. Koshowko also received a special mention in the Best Songwriter category in The Music Aid Song Contest and Music Awards in 2010.

In January 2009 Martin teamed up with Melbourne poet and filmmaker – **Rupert Owen**, which resulted in the song *'Remix This'*. Breaks laden *'Remix This'* turns the tables on nightclubbing with a yearning to be mashed, mixed and moved to and its syncopated horn section takes inspiration from acts such as Yello or Ian Dury. In July 2010 the *'Remix This'* video clip was selected out of 1000 entries to screen at the 5th ZEBRA Poetry Film Festival in Berlin. Zebra is a festival with a heavy weight line-up of poetry-in-film veterans, which made the news even more pleasing. The video has since been screened at other international events and festivals as well.

In September 2010 Koshowko released the new EP titled *'The Truth In Me'*, through Clan Analogue. This latest release has been described as *'Atmospheric Euphoria'* (3D World Magazine) and explores a variety of musical styles, from nu-disco, through dub to abstract hip-hop. The EP has been enthusiastically received by the Australian radio with airplay on Triple J and variety of national community radio stations. An example of the track handpicked by DJs from the release is *'Promise – Part 3'*, which has spent several weeks in the top 10 of the **Kiss FM** (Melbourne's leading dance music radio station) **Chart**, where it reached number 2.

Other releases by Koshowko include their debut single *'Promise'* as well as material on several compilations including critically acclaimed *'In Version: Dub Selections'*. More of the Koshowko sound can be heard on their brilliant, collaborative effort *'Switched On'*, appearing as a duet on **Winduptoys** single and album *'Double Exposure'*.

You can also look out for Koshowko's stunning remixes of **Disco Stu** and **B(if)tek** featured on a collectible three-disc set *'Re Cognition: the Clan Analogue Legacy Collection'*, as well as the promotional single *'We Think You're Dishy (Remix EP)'*. Quoting the leading Australian newspaper *'The Age'*: *'this package is a must for fans and students of Australian electronic music alike'*. Martin K has also produced a DVD package and documentary movie about the Clan Analogue collective called *'Plug In & Switch On'*. The DVD has been added as a bonus disc to the CD version of the *'Re: Cognition'* album.

Other composition credits include the soundtrack for the award-winning documentary *'Revolving Door'*, shown on TV in Australia and overseas after making the rounds at various film festivals on four continents.

Martin K is also involved in a Podcast show called *'Stanley vs Koshowko'* where presenters compete for the audience's favourite record selector. It's available for free on iTunes near you!

Stay tuned for more new releases, including Martin K's new 'beyond disco' side project – **Philosophy Of Sound!**

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