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DOINA KLEZMER HAS RELEASED A NEW ALBUM

The new *Nomada* album was published by a Finnish classical music label Alba records

The Doina Klezmer Quartet is the first Finnish band performing the Eastern European Jewish traditional music and in addition their own compositions. The second album of the orchestra was published in Helsinki, Finland, on the 25th of April 2004 with a huge success by the audience present and the media. The album is titled to *Nomada* and is published by a record company from Tampere, Finland, the Alba records (www.alba.fi). After the album releasing concert, Doina Klezmer toured Finland for a few days and gained new friends again in the Western and Middle Finland.

The name of the new album traces back to the times of great migrations. *Nomada*, Mairia Peijakas, the wandering spirit no doubt resides in the hearts of all, beckoning to us and from time to time tempting us to cast caution aside and taste the freedom of the open road.

*Beyond the way
the clouds of grey
the dismal day she sings her song*

*the open road
the vistas broad
Mairia Peijakas
calls 'come and dance'.*

Most of the songs are composed by Sampo Lassila, but also some traditional tunes there are as well on the album. *Warshaver Freilachs Impression*, *Tsiganeshti* ja *Kol Nidrei* are traditional melodies in arrangements that have slowly been moulded as the wheels of the gig bus rumble along the highways and byways.

The honorable quest musicians bring their own spices to the mix too. Heikki Nikula plays his bass clarinet on three tracks and Eva Alkula with a kantele brings a Finnish taste to a hora composed by an American Finnish musician Harry Kandel (1885-1943).

~ DOINA KLEZMER ~

HANNU VASARA – violin, viola
MARKKU LEPISTÖ – accordion
SAMPO LASSILA – bass
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