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The band began life more or less by chance. Its birth date is mildly in dispute.

Some of us think it was in 1996, some think 1998, others still put the true date at 2000.

Whatever the case it all began with no real intention to form a group

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Michalis and Andreas have a long history together. They began their musical partnership back in the dark days of the early Eighties. Michalis was one of a handful of punks in the Greek scene and isolated by his musical preference from the general public. Greece, at this time, had only just left behind years of dictatorship and social unrest and the youth were looking for something to make their blood run fresh.

Michalis persuaded Andreas to give an ear to the music he was listening to; bands such as The Birthday Party. The common thread between them was the late great Captain Beefheart.

With the help of a mutual school friend, they formed a band called **Gobidibou** and performed their unique mix of rough and ready punk, jazz and poetry.

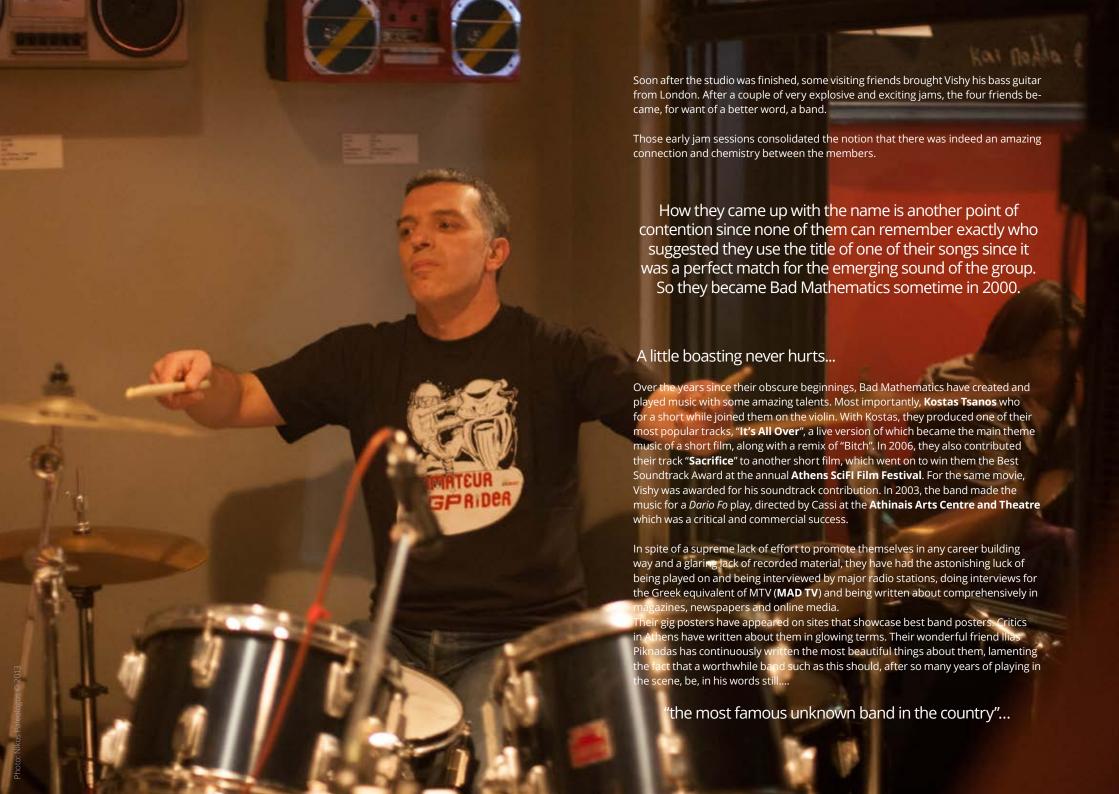
Meanwhile in England, Cassi was training to be a nurse but dreaming of a life in theatre. Eventually, she took the plunge, left nursing behind and joined a small theatre company in London. She specialized in devised and physical theatre primarily with the famous Black Mime Theatre culminating in a unique tour to South Africa with the National Theatre. She also wrote an award-winning radio play and won a Best Newcomer Performance Award from Time Out. She never looked back.

At the same time, **Vishy** was working his way to a degree in photography in London and was teaching himself the bass, his most loved instrument, while playing in a casual ensemble of like minded musicians. After a short visit to Greece to catch up with some friends, he decided that one day he would move to Athens to try it out for a while. It was a few more years before he finally made the move in '93. In the mean time, during a film shoot, he met Cassi and the two decided to move to Athens together in '94.

Michalis was working at a photo studio where Vishy ended up working too. The two men spent their quiet days working in the darkroom and talking about music. What emerged was that the two had very similar tastes and bonded over their shared love of Jazz and Captain Beefheart. Andreas came to the same studio to shoot a portrait to appear on his latest book of poetry. The last piece of the puzzle was Cassi, who through Vishy, met the other two and they became a little gang of friends.

Sometime in 1996, during an evening at Andreas' house, the four went down to his basement rehearsal room and played a little jam together. Nothing more came from this first meeting but it was obvious, even that early on, that there was a certain chemistry between the four of them.

A little while after this, (and this is the disputed date mentioned at the start) that Michalis and Andreas started building a small studio in the garden of the house that Michalis had just moved into. The house was exactly opposite to the one Vishy and Cassi lived in. Serendipity.



LIVEWORK

Within a few months, they had enough material from the jam sessions to start paying attention to friends who were begging them to do a live show. Finally, early in 2001, they gave in to peer pressure and booked a live gig in a local bar, the long gone Kelsos. A small but lively place that they filled to capacity. In 2002, they played one of their best gigs ever at the prestigious venue **Ston Aera** in northern Athens. That amazing show gained them many fans and led the band to playing many others over the next year or two in some of the best venues in town. There are too many to list individually

One of the most exciting and seminal venues in Athens for the alternative and independent bands in those heady days was the Small Music Theatre, a wonderful open stage for all kinds of artists to try out their ideas on intelligent and receptive audiences. The SMT became a kind of a home for the band for the next couple of years. The tragic financial failure of the venue in 2008, hurt music culture in Athens beyond measure. Bad Mathematics had the honour of hosting an acoustic goodbye show at the SMT with their dear friends *The Velvoids*. Many of the best bands in the scene took part and the evening was filled with amazing music with various fluid combinations as members of different bands played and jammed together. It was sad to see the place close but gratifying to see the street lined with people trying to cram into the tiny venue.

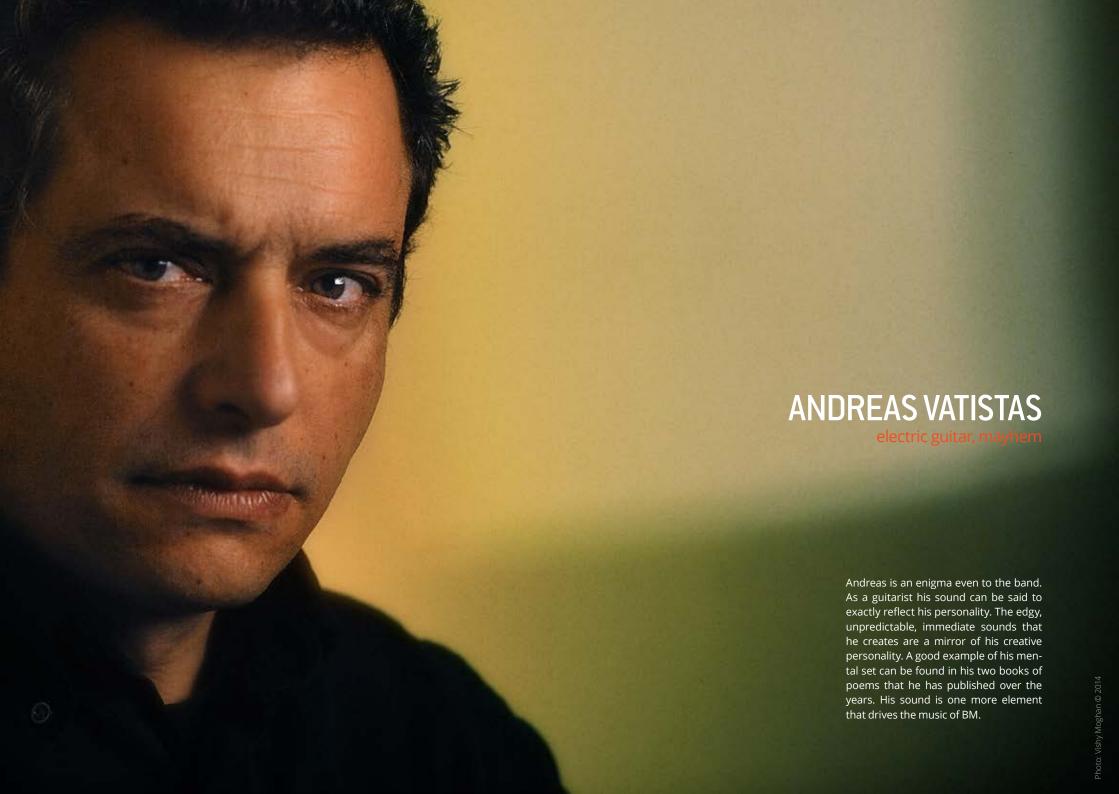
The band had another momentous and memorable show at the classic **An Club** in the centre of town. That explosive, pivotal performance in 2003 led to them working with more and more other bands in the underground/indie scene. The other classic venue for Bad Mathematics was the theatre space at **Epi Kolono**, one of the best arts theatres in town. Their live performance was accompanied by videos made by various local artists who had been asked to illustrate each song on the play list.

They also played the great venue **Soul Stereo**, again with their friends, The Velvoids as the closing acts for European Music Day 2006 in Athens. Gagarin is one of the biggest music venues in Athens and Bad Mathematics played a special gig there to celebrate the release of the independent compilation album called Civil Cinder Regalia along with six other top bands in the scene who also appeared on it.

In 2001, they were nominated as winners of the **Best New Band of the Year award** by the estimable **Rock FM** radio station in Athens with a very rough and ready analogue four track recording of "Bitch" which was played on the station many times. This led to double page spread interviews in two of the best newspapers in Greece and a full page article in the top music magazine in the country Diphono. They have appeared in many other papers and magazines over the years.

In 2004, they released their first EP, **5Live** which was recorded at the legendary Ston Aera show (mentioned above) and produced and mixed by Peter de Pian at the amazing Megaron studios. The EP was produced in a limited run and is no longer available in the original edition. The band are considering re-releasing it for download in the near future.

> "Shop Your Acoustics" multi-band live at smt, Athens, 4 April 2008









RECORDING THE BAND

Back in 2009, the band bought a digital four track and this led to them experimenting with recording themselves and though they had some very good results (two of those tracks in fact appear on their first album "Everything Falls Apart"), they saw that it was worth bringing in an experienced sound engineer and to go somewhere with better recording gear. In 2013, they moved to a small place that a friend of Andreas had set up, Apollon Studios. They continued recording the fabled album that they had originally started at the wonderful Best Of Studios on the four track. The studio suggested they work with Zack and so the recording took another leap forward. The album was finalised in November 2014.



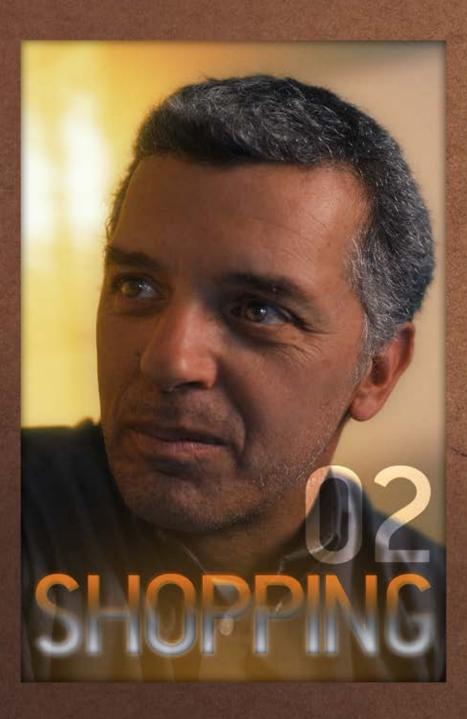


As your words get softer my skin gets harder
I'll give you a look to make you believe
I'm gonna give you another chance to breathe That's when I hit you with my best Just when you're hot
I'll leave you cold
I love watching you when you fold Cause I love it...

First time you saw me
I knew how you wanted me
I threw you the hook
you never had a clue
the dark places
I was gonna take you
That's when I hit you with my first test
Just when you're hot
I'll leave you cold
I love watching you when you fold
Cause I love it...

Didn't know what I had on my mind When you said ride the wild wind Never knew I wrote the book Never understood I despised the ground on which you stood But don't worry 'cause you're not the first

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Buy while you can you've got choice buy what you can trust in choice throw out the old pan it's time for you to take a stand with a little foresight and some good advice you can reach a new height

> don't let them get the stupid idea that they can lead you away from everything your heart craves you know damn well shopping saves

Get down to the shops
buy till your heart stops
the tart next door
has all the stuff you're dreaming of
so here's your chance to make a decision
to you make your advance for the next recession
to set yourself up for the next shopping session

Buy while the money lasts
or else your place in the race will be last
and whose going to help you when you're on the street
and you got no one else left to beat
and neighbour next door ain't gonna lift one thin finger
to pick you up from the floor

Your man said go easy and you took it real breezy but that fool he never could see the holes that would suck you up if you didn't spend what little cash there was

Beat the Joneses, beat the Joneses, Beat the Joneses and the grass is greener and their floors are cleaner and your house is smaller and their trees are taller Hell, even her husband is taller

Beat the Joneses, beat the Joneses, Beat the Joneses
'Cause you've got to be better than them
'Cause you've got to be better than them
'Cause you've got to be better than them
Beat the Jones

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Shocked at the sight of you falling out of reach The impatience of it all

Furious ants invade our walls Mundane passing of time

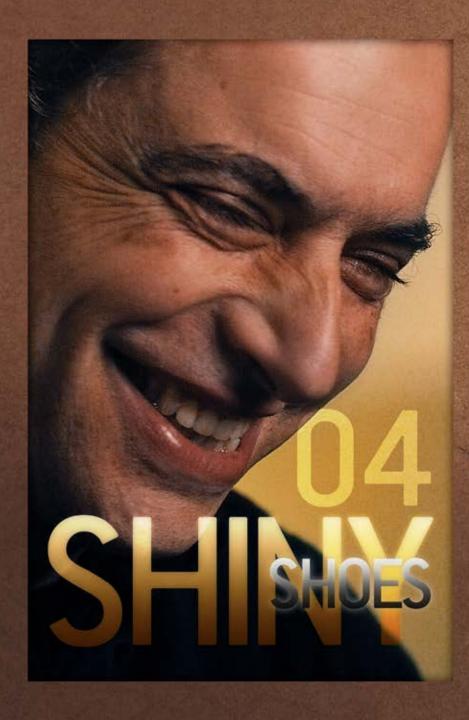
Irritating My voice it grates. The silence bears witness to this emptiness

> Unbearable A life on hold Staring at the vacuum left

Exhaustion My body aches. The strength to change escapes me

> Shocked at the sight of you falling out of reach The waste of it all

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Spider, spider on the wall you can see where we are all heading

Maybe hard

Maybe heading down that slippery slope but we're

Holding on

There's always some people like to think it is It's always been like this

It'll end soon Be the end soon You can see You can feel You can read

It'll be the end soon

All the rules ahahahaha ahahahaha ahahahaha

Shiny shoes
Shiny shoes
Make you smile
make you writhe

Carpet's new Begs the question

You, You

It's as much fun as it used to be Hanging around Under those trees talking laughing joking drinking being fools

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Dear Dad
You taught me how to change a light bulb
You taught me how to change a wheel
You taught me how to draw a straight line
You taught me how to clean my hands

You were proud even though I wasn't a son

You taught me how to kick a football How to read, write You taught me to make sense of numbers Though that wasn't right

> And you are cold and I'm hot-headed and the conversation is hard

And I remember all that I wanted was to spend five minutes with you

> When finally finally we got the time

And we joked and we laughed we said very few words

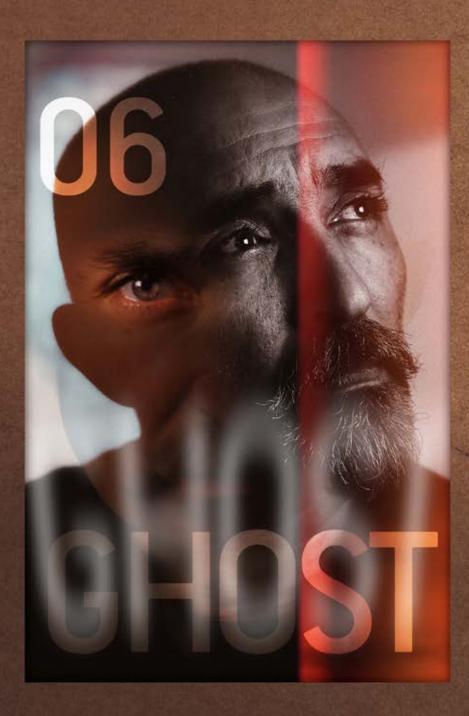
But there you were my Dad

With your funny face and your stupid beard I laughed at all those years ago

With my strange clothes You said "Are you going out like this?"

and yes... finally You're my dad

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I ran across the field and squeezed through the hole in the hedge
As I stood up I saw her
She was peeling potatoes outside her house
On a battered old stool
And the blood that was running out of her nose
was shocking red against the pastry whiteness of her skin
I wanted to run away
but the fascination
the fascination
kept me standing there in front of her
Why doesn't she stop the blood
Why doesn't she stop the blood

Eventually I turned round and squeezed back through the hole in the hedge ran across the field to home

Finally guilt was beginning to take a hold

I saw her

I did nothing

She could have bled to death
I might as well have taken an axe and hacked her
I killed her

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Give me another subject. The summer's coming my flowers have all died 'cause I was bored Seven o'clock and the alarm goes off get the kid to school past the dogs Always one of the early ones one of the conscientious ones but I'm bored Just to get away from this but I always wanted this I'm bored The dogs are always lazy and I am always crazy living life to the full Going out to bars and giving it all always If this is all it takes, If this is all it takes I'm wanna be the one If this is all it takes, If this is all it takes I'm wanna be the one Scream Sacrifice Why be the one Why be the one Sacrifice Everyone is drowning including me Sacrifice If I didn't stop them I wouldn't want to live Sacrifice This is what I wanted Sacrifice How dare you be different Sacrifice There's no other life to live Sacrifice This is it, right here, right now Sacrifice This is it, right here, right now Sacrifice This is it, right here, right now

When I look into my crystal ball and the world doesn't end The bottom of the ocean is never deep enough I know

Sacrifice

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Cold, cold, cold Don't go easily It's the easy way out So strong

Read the magazines caught in a trap of wanting Go tomorrow and get a van Take all the things you ever wanted This man can't stop I can't stop

> Did you ever shake and shiver for less They led us Natures way This madness Darkened profits Natures way Try hard

> > I heard the news today Another earthquake Another mudslide Another war Another famine Another earthquake Another war It's you

Am I wearing the right dress Change my hair colour Change my teeth Change my breasts Change my legs Change my feet Change my child It's you Kylie Kylie Kylie Britney Christina Kylie Kylie Fucking Australians Fucking Yankees Fucking New Zealanders Fucking New Zealanders Fucking Yankees Fucking Australians Wanna be like you

Bjork
wanna be like you
PJ
wanna be like you
Madonna
could never be like you
Whitney
never be like you
And Britney....

We don't like you

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Poor little band that we are that we are that we are that we are And we want and we wish
We laugh and we love and we cry
And we're not getting any younger
But one day

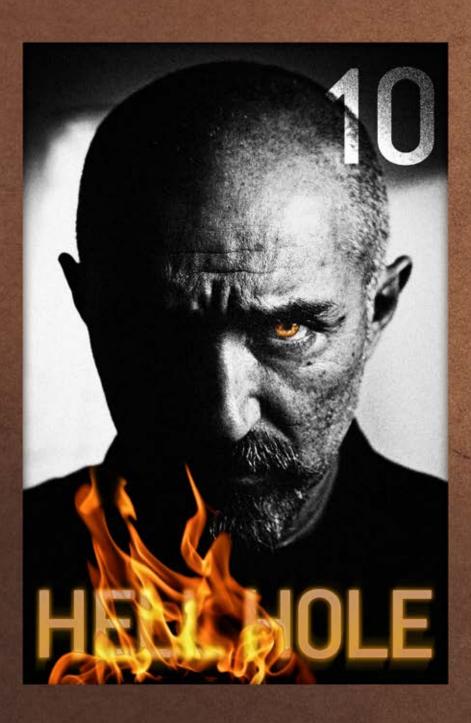
We're gonna be super stars We're gonna be super stars We're gonna be super stars

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See a guy open pages has a need Which one will he choose 42 22 32 Enjoy cream in your jeans **Ebony** Asian Teeny Preggers Pornography It's a shame It's shameful If you don't care Why's it under your bed Dark Want to fuck Legs open Legs open It's dark Can she feel it Make her mine Pornography Picture a woman In your bed You can take her You can take her Pornography

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Banging on the devil's roof busted my hands trying to get in Hammering down like running hoofs till that door folded like tin Inside it's dark & cold and full of stuff I can't see And everything smells old but I need a place to hide They're closing in I hide in an old chest Lie there panting Breath like a train Heart pounding Then I hear them make myself small as they curse & kick throwing things against the wall shaking my box just know my time's up Got nowhere to run swimming in my sweat it's blinding me Now I'm praying Banging on the devil's roof

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How much is it worth
Tell me in pounds
or tell me in dollars
How much are you worth
'cause I'm not getting out of bed for less

Put your money up front Put your money where your mouth is Don't pay me in kind All bets are off

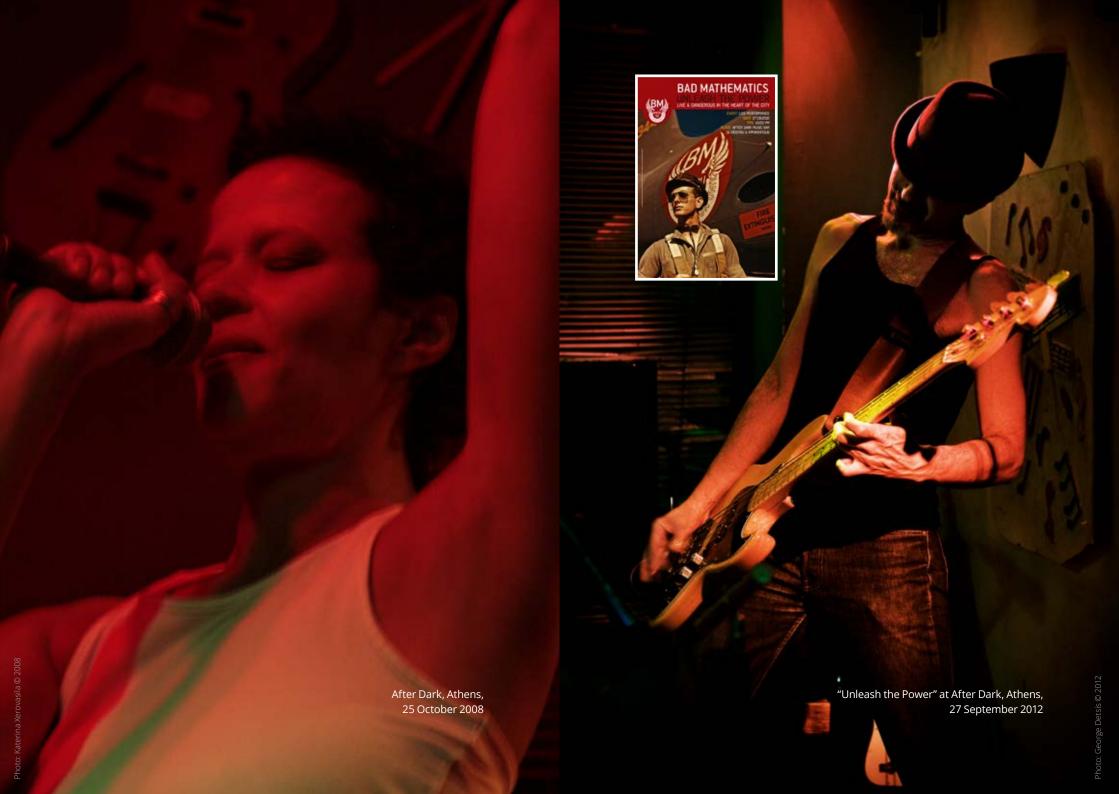
> Check for small change Find some coins Write to your friends

It's not worth a penny For your thoughts Take your time Bring on the dough Pull out the coins

Are we going up
Or are we going down
Give me your thoughts
I might be around
But for now
I'm going to lie down

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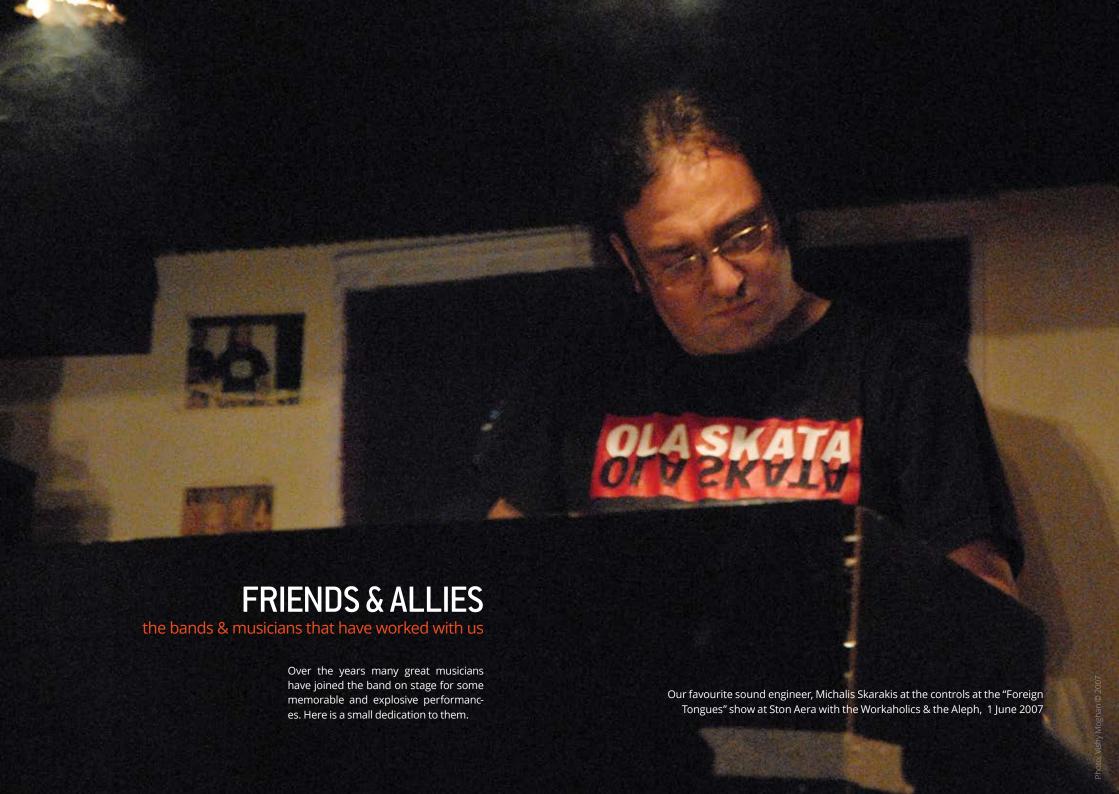




ZACH sound engineer

Zach Kotsikis always suspected that Bad Mathematics were more than the disorganised gang that turned up at Apollon Studio in 2013. The ultimate "can do" man, allowing us to record live, giving us the freedom to do things the way we wanted and then taking it all and making us sound like us. Thank you will never be enough.









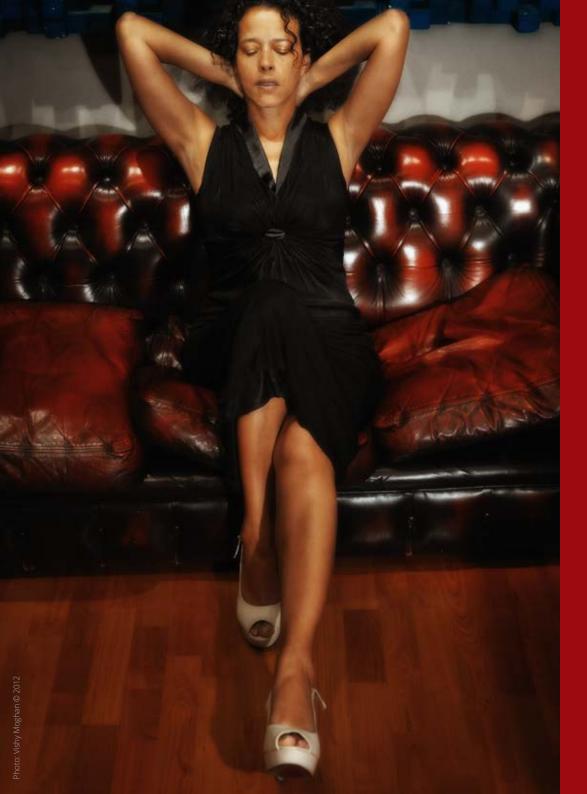












Special Mention

Finally Bad Mathematics would like to thank some of the many who have supported the band with their enthusiasm and contributions over the years. Musicians who have played with us on stage and in the studio such as Stylianos Tziritas, Kostas Tsanos, Glorybox, Vice Lesley, Kostas Stergiou, Mecha Orga, Kostas Mavrikis and many others. Those who have helped us realise our recordings; Stylianos again, Peter de Pian, Michalis Skarakis, Zach Kotsikis, Kenan Akkawi, Kostas Chaikalis. Major Tom, the radio jock who has done more to promote us on air and online than any other. DJ Kosta for supporting the band. The lovely people who paid hard cash into the realisation of our album by supporting us on Indigogo, Kuros, Marcy, Gwynne, Alexis and many other wonderful people. The incredible photographers who have shot the band, Katerina Xerovasila, George Detsis, Nick Paleologos, Alexandros Stamatiou, Mairylia Kala, Elena Dimitrakopoulou, Ellen Katsikeas, Orestes and god knows who else. The film makers who have used our music for their soundtrack work Dimitris Emanuelidis and Elena Dimitrakopoulou. Not least we'd like to thank Spinalonga Records for putting out "Sacrifice" on their wonderful compilation album "In the Junkyard 3" in 2005, and our production of "Proud" on the download only collection "This is Heavy, Heavy, Heavy" released in 2011.

Particularly special shout out goes to our lovely friend **Piers Marsh**, he of Mountain of Love, who aside from joining us on stage for a blistering live electronic jam in 2010 in Athens, recorded our studio version of "Shopping" that will appear on the 2015 album "Everything Falls Apart".

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Most sepcial thanks to **Dave Williams** (@ Omega Free Productions, UK) for mastering the album, courage beyond the call of duty. Additionally thanks to Phil Charters for putting us together with Dave.

And of course the lovely amazing people who have come to see us at almost every live show and joined us in having a thumping good time for all these years.

Thank you all.

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THE FIRST ALBUM BY BAD MATHEMATICS 2015. All the details you never thought you may want to learn about anything.

01- Bitch (ISRC: GR BM1 15 00001)

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02- Shopping (ISRC: GR BM1 15 00002)

Music: Bad Mathematics/V. Moghan. Lyrics: V. Moghan. Voice: Cassi Moghan. Guitar: Andreas Vatistas. Bass: Vishy Moghan. Drums: Michalls Karagiannis. Engineer: Piers Marsh (2012) Mixing: Zachos Kotsiskis Mastering/Post Production: Dave Williams Recorded at Best Of Studios. Athens.

03- Cockroach (ISRC: GR BM1 15 00003)

Music: Bad Mathematics. Lyrics: C. Moghan. Voice: Cassi Moghan. Guitar: Andreas Vatistas. Bass: Vishy Moghan. Drums: Michalis Karagiannis. Trumpet: Orestis Tsichlakis. Engineer/Mixing: Zachos Kotsiskis Mastering/Post Production: Dave Williams Recorded at Apollon Studios, Athens.

04- Shiny Shoes (ISRC: GR BM1 15 00004)

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05- Proud (ISRC: GR BM1 15 00005)

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Voice: Cassi Moghan.
Guitar: Andreas Vatistas.
Bass: Vishy Moghan.
Drums: Michalis Karagiannis.
Trumpet: Orestis Tsichlakis.
Engineer/Mixing: Vishy Moghan (2010)
Additional recording/mixing: Zachos Kotsikis
Mastering/Post Production: Dave Williams
Recorded at Apollon & Best Of Studios, Athens.

06- Ghost (ISRC: GR BM1 15 00006)

Music: Bad Mathematics. Lyrics: C. Moghan. Voice: Cassi Moghan. Guitar: Andreas Vatistas. Bass: Vishy Moghan. Drums: Michalis Karagiannis. Trumpet: Orestis Tsichlakis. Engineer/Mixing: Zachos Kotsiskis Mastering/Post Production: Dave Williams Recorded at Apollon Studios, Athens.

07- Sacrifice (ISRC: GR BM1 15 00007)

Music: Bad Mathematics. Lyrics: C. Moghan. Voice: Cassi Moghan. Guitar: Andreas Vatistas. Bass: Vishy Moghan. Drums: Michalis Karagiannis. Keyboards: Costas Stergiou. Electronics: Mecha Orga. Engineer/Mixing: Stylianos Tziritas (2005) Mastering/Post Production: Dave Williams

08- Psychoblues (ISRC: GR BM1 15 00008) Music: Bad Mathematics. Lyrics: C. Moghan.

Recorded at Studio II, Athens.

Voice: Cassi Moghan.
Guitar: Andreas Vatistas.
Bass: Vishy Moghan.
Drums: Michalis Karagiannis.
Engineer/Mixing: Zachos Kotsiskis, Vishy Moghan
Mastering/Post Production: Dave Williams
Recorded at Apollon Studios, Athens.

09- Pornography (ISRC: GR BM1 15 00009) Music: Bad Mathematics. Lyrics: C. Moghan.

Voice: Cassi Moghan.
Guitar: Andreas Vatistas.
Bass: Vishy Moghan.
Drums: Michalis Karagiannis.
Engineer/Mixing: Vishy Moghan, Zachos Kotsiskis
Mastering/Post Production: Dave Williams
Recorded at Best Of Studios, Athens.

10- Hell Hole (ISRC: GR BM1 15 00010)

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11- All Bets Are Off (ISRC: GR BM1 15 00011)

Music: Bad Mathematics. Lyrics: C. Moghan.
Voice: Cassi Moghan.
Guitar: Andreas Vatistas.
Whistling: Vishy Moghan.
Drums: Michalis Karagiannis.
Engineer: Zachos Kotsiskis
Mixing: Vangelis Zissis (at Warehouse Studios, Athens)
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