Three quarters of the famous Mujician Qt, the Deep Joy Trio has established itself as one of the truly great free improv trios. The incredible Paul Dunmall powered by one of the greatest powerhouse rythm sections in Jazz, Paul Rogers bass and Tony Levin Drums. Tony Levin died just before this cd was released and it is dedicated to him.

TONY LEVIN

Tony was one of my dearest friends, we hung out, played music together for 32 years. His vast experience was invaluable to me when we first met. I would go to his house regularly and play duos till the early hours of the morning. We would listen to records of various jazz greats (Coltrane being our favourite) and classical music and discuss life in general and do a lot of laughing!

He was a very gentle and beautiful spirit, always kind and generous with people. In my opinion one of the worlds greatest drummers and a very open approach to music. He was a great traditional swing jazz drummer but he loved playing free jazz too, and was absolutely brilliant in both ways of playing. I know from playing with him all those years that he was a very spiritual man and to feel his power on stage when we were giving everything is some of the best music, if not the best music moments of my life. I shall never ever forget those beautiful spiritual highs.

Tony was one of the good people of this Earth and everyone loved to be in his company, that radiant joyous smile made everyone around him happier. His soul is without doubt somewhere beautiful, it's us left behind that shall miss him terribly. I found I still had a answer phone message from him a couple of days before he died thanking me for the birthday card I sent him and the last thing he said was "bye for now" I will hold him to that.

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1. Looking Deep
2. Deep Looking

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