



Stop The War Coalition: Benefit Concert Featuring Brian Eno

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Outside of the politics, a benefit concert held at The Astoria in London on November 27, 2005 for StWC or - "Stop The War Coalition" (a group based in Great Britain which formed in September of 2001), the music here is simply amazing, beautifully filmed by the very reliable people at {Secret Films} and is more than what we've come to expect these days from the plethora of "benefit" gigs that are thrust upon the record industry and the public. {^Stop The War Coalition Benefit Concert with Brian Eno} is a gorgeous buffet of highly spirited music and exotic rhythms fusing with a basic rock & roll core. {Rachid Taha}, the Algerian worldbeat artist, teams up with Eno and though it is not {\$Roxy Music}, it is still trancey and very inviting. British singer/songwriter {\$Imogen Heap} as well as Brit producer/songwriter {\$Nitin Sawhney} (also performing with {\$Brian Eno} here) add to the fun, though hardly the household names we expect at these kind of events. And perhaps that's what makes this such an exciting document - Eno and friends along with five songs from {\$The Clash}'s {\$Mick Jones} creating something out of the mainstream that is still accessible to the mainstream. And it's an intriguing rendition of {"Rock El Casbah"} that appears here reminding you that this isn't {\$The Clash}, it's a concert with different sounds that weave together to form a very artistic and highly entertaining event. An introduction speech by {\$Brian Eno} and {\$Chris Nineham} is included in this little treasure that is a rarity - a full-length concert of music you might not know that is still captivating and flows with a special energy that will hold your attention.