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CD Review: Astralasfa^{dable} The Hawkwind Re-Mixes

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Hawkwind may not be a household name on this side of the pond, but were and indeed are at the very leading edge of the Prog Rock movement. It is just wonderful to see Astralasia who themselves are masters of the Space Rock phenom from their time as the Magic Mushroom Band take time to revisit some Hawkwind themes. Imitation is the sincerest form of flattery the saying tells us. And indeed it is, what greater form of recognition can you get

than someone else covering your music?

A few months ago I had the opportunity to <u>chat</u> with the lead man of Hawkwind, Dave Brock, and after almost 40 years Hawkwind are still going strong, and have an incredible fan base.

While I gennerally am not a fan of the re-mix world, Astralasia have not wrecked the music too badly. They certainly have put a twist on it that would appeal to the dance crowd, as opposed to the LSD crowd. But I have to admit that if I had the choice between Astralasia and the real thing, I'd take Hawkwind. However for those of you that just want to gently dip your toes into the Space Rock idea this could be a good starting point.

You can order Astralasia – *The Hawkwind Re-Mixes* from MVD.

Simon Barrett

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