



## **'An Indie War Of The Worlds'**

'Dinosaur Planet' by MJ Hibbett & The Validators is a 50 minute long full-cast science fiction rock opera about what happens when the dinosaurs return to Earth.

"It's like a cross between 'The Hitchhiker's Guide To The Galaxy' and 'Giant Steps' by The Boo Radleys," says MJ Hibbett. "Or an indie 'War Of The Worlds'."

It was recorded with the help of a few indie legends, a TV continuity announcer, a local radio DJ and some friends.

It features more explosions than any other concept album ever.

You might think it's ridiculous. You might think it's the most astounding record you've ever heard. You might even think it's both, but you'll have to listen to it to find out.

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**Released 23 January 2012 via Proper Distribution  
Launch gig 26 January 2012 at The Wilmington Arms, London**

## **Further Information**

'Dinosaur Planet' is released on 23 January 2012 and will be on sale from all download sites and online stores or direct from [www.dinosaurplanet.co.uk](http://www.dinosaurplanet.co.uk).

A free download of the single mix of 'Theme From Dinosaur Planet' with accompanying video is available now at [www.dinosaurplanet.co.uk](http://www.dinosaurplanet.co.uk). On this site you can also find pen portraits and photographs of the cast, artwork, videos and an archive of press releases.

A launch gig is planned for 26 January 2012 at The Wilmington Arms, 69 Rosebery Avenue, London EC1R 4RL. Please get in touch if you'd like guest list places.

## **Background**

'Dinosaur Planet' started off as an Edinburgh Fringe show. MJ Hibbett was inspired to write it after seeing a slightly disappointing one-man version of Jeff Wayne's 'War Of The Worlds' and deciding that he could do better.

Guest stars include Phil Wilson (The June Brides), Chris T-T, Keith Top Of The Pops, BBC One continuity announcer Claire Gibb and BBC Radio Tees DJ Bob Fischer.

MJ Hibbett & The Validators have performed live on Radio One, had a Record Of The Year in Rolling Stone, an Album Of The Day on 6Music, toured all around the world and very narrowly avoided writing an autobiography.

They're probably best known for 'Hey Hey I6K', the world's first ever internet viral hit.

Bass player Frankie Machine is a singer songwriter in his own right, and is also a former member of number one hit makers White Town. Drummer Tim Pattison toured Europe and the States with his previous band, Prolapse.

All of the album illustrations were drawn by John Allison, creator of the long running online comics Bad Machinery, Bobbins and Scaryground.

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