

Notes on Sounds of Selected Installations of *Power Plant*

8-12, 14-19 March 2017, Auckland Domain

Installation:

- 1:** In the darkness low haunting WHISTLES loom from the ghostly trees

- 2:** As NEON SIGNS flash (names of rare moths) Vegas-like sounds play from *HEARTH'SONG* (soundscape by NZ artist Phil Dadson). A mix of human, animal and birdcalls ring along the gully

- 3:** NEON SIGNS - Peach Blossom MOTH name sign - Voice recording of people making 'oohh' sounds but not saying actual words

- 4:** RADIO GALAXIES Flickering tiny lights in the tree above crackle with the distant sound of radiation from outer space

- 5:** FEATHERS spinning - low whirring sounds in the gully

- 6:** FIRELIES - sound from the whirring of propellers down in the gully

- 7:** DROPLETS - Sounds like a pebble or stone dropped into a puddle/into water in a cave because it echoes

Along the trail - Sounds of a morepork owl, and other bird and nature sounds

- 8:** POWER PLANT smoke with red lights fading up and down - human, animal and bird calls (*HEARTH'SONG*)

- 9:** CICADAS - Flashing lights in the bush, sounds like insects, machine gun, woodpeckers

- 10:** EARTHING & PROTECTION - fluorescent lights flicker - loud static, crackling speaker sound harsh and grating

- 11:** Illuminated DRESSES hanging in the trees - ghostly voice-like sounds

- 12:** MIRROR BALLS hanging in the trees and old GRAMOPHONES playing Astroturf and other objects - making sounds like stones rubbing and rattling around on the gramophone plate

Cricket sounds echoing

- 13:** LAMPSHADES - Sounds like the lampshades are making radio static sounds to try and attract UFOs or as if they are talking to each other

- 14:** REFLECTION - Sounds like a gramophone that has been put into water and it is making bubbling sounds as it tries to play music. Behind it whirring KINETIC FLOWERS spin

- 15:** SOUND WAVE - No sound

- 16:** LAMPSHADES - UFO sounds echoing

- 17:** BLUE PALMS - a whistling presence in the background

- 18:** PYROPHONES - fire bursts from tall metal pipes making rhythmic popping sounds (on entering)