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## **Sounds For Haunting**

Here's a list of CD's and Cassette Tapes that I have found useful for Halloween. The Rating is only my humble attempt to give an opinion of the usefullness of the title. I hope you find this informative!

If you have, or know about any other sound or music titles, let me know!

The category description is an attempt to classify the title.

- Atmosphere Combination of sound effects to produce an ambience
- Natural Direct recordings of natural sounds
- Sound Effects Independent sounds
- Arrangements Collections of sound sequences recorded together, or with effects added
- Music Suitable songs

**Title: Sounds to Haunt Your House** 

Category: Atmosphere Media: CD, Stereo

By: KTel

Number: 3061-2 Year: 1992

Rating: Excellent

Except for the occasional narration, an excellent overall production for haunted house ambience. The narration attempts to give you a guided tour through the haunted house. If you only buy one haunted sound selection, definitely listen to this one!

Title: Screeches, Clanks, and Howls

Category: Arrangements Media: CD, Stereo

By: KTel

Number: 3146-2 Year: 1993

Rating: Very good

A collection of produced effect sequences arranged by category. Example: 'Ghosts in the Graveyard' consists of ambient wind, mumbles, groans -all to simulate a haunted graveyard. Overall very well produced. Great for tape loops as room sound.

Title: Frights of the Night Sound FX Category: Sound Effects, Arrangements

Media: CD, Stereo By: Tring International Number: EFX001

Year: ??

Rating: Very Good

A collection of 50 well-produced sound effects. Effects include from animal sounds, gongs, doors, chains, music, screaming, screeching, laughter, theremins, footsteps, thunder, rain, and combinations. One nice feature is the effects run continuously, and have indexes to each selection, giving good production flexibility.

Title: Mystery Sound FX Category: Sound Effects Media: CD, Stereo

By: RTV Communications Group

Number: CD-4617

Year: 1985 Rating: Good

A collection of 50 independent sound effects suitable for mixing. Most effects are produced dry (without ambience enhancement).

Title: Thunder - Pure Natural Sounds

Category: Natural Media: CD, Stereo

By: Miramar Insignia Series

Number: EFX001

Year: 1995

Rating: Very Good

Put on your headphones, close your eyes, and you are outside in the wilderness while a thunderstorm approaches, passes overhead, then recedes. Good selection of natural thunderstorm sounds.

**Title: Spooky Sound Effects - Haunted Horror Sounds** 

Category: Atmosphere Media: CD, Stereo By: Forum Novelties Number: 50968 Year: 1993

Rating: Good

Well, the CD jacket says: "Spooky Sound Effects - Perfect for any haunted house or background music for any Halloween party". Runs continuously. Some excerpts are very

good. Lots of organ! No indexes.

Title: **Brutal Planet** 

Category: Music, Sound Effects

Media: CD, Stereo

By: Zephyr-Hacker Publishing (Distortions)

Number: DCD18522

Year: 1996 Rating: Excellent

Yes, a CD from Distortions, producers of high-end haunted house props. A collection of 13 original industrial and rock songs all along the Brutal Planet theme. Also includes 25 intensive sound effect sequences, most are from Distortions high-end props. Extremely well produced. The CD jacket alone is an experience! Well worth having.

Title: Scary Sound Effects - Nightmarish Noise for Halloween!

Category: Arrangements

Media: CD, Stereo

By: Rhino

Number: R271776

Year: 1994

Rating: Very Good

A fun collection of independent sound effect arrangements categorized as: Front Door Greetings, Witchcraft, Graveyard at Night, A Visit to the Bat Caves, The Martians are Coming, Scary Music. Each are very well produced and are easily adaptable to your haunt. Some sequences are good for tape loops. Lots of theremin.

## Title: The Son of Scary Sound Effects

- Nightmarish Noise for Halloween!

Category: Arrangements Media: CD, Stereo

By: Rhino

Number: R272170

Year: 1995

Rating: Very Good

The sequel to Scary Sound Effects, this collection of independent sound effect arrangements are categorized as: Spooky Spaces, Phrightful Phone Messages, Creatures for your Computer, and sound FX from the spooky spaces sequences. The Spooky Spaces

sequences in particular are very well done. Julies Nightmare, and Seance With The Gypsy Woman are excellent! The phone messages are great treat for your answering machine. Another superb production from Rhino.

Title: Super Scary Monster Party

Category: Music Media: CD, Stereo By: GNP/Crescendo Number: GNPD-2240

Year: 1994

Rating: Almost Excellent

This is a collection of the most popular sci-fi and horror movie themes. Most of the music is excellent. Truly outstanding is the production of Hellbound: Hellraiser 2 and Dracula's Castle. All of it is instrumental, which is my only 'gripe'. My major disappointment was Munsters and Addams Family themes without the words... Bummer.

Title: The Atmosphere Collection - Thunderstorm

Category: Natural Media: CD, Stereo

By: RYKO

Number: RCD 50285

Year: 1995 Rating: Excellent

This is the CD for thunder! The first selection is a sixty-minute serious thunderstorm, followed by 23 individual 'thunder strikes'. The included booklet is an interesting and informative overview of how and why thunder occurs. All recorded and produced in the digital domain, it will seriously strain almost any stereo system.

**Title: Echoes of Nature - Thunderstorm** 

Category: Natural Media: CD, Stereo By: LaserLight Number: 12 151 Year: 1993

Rating: Good

A presentation of the progress of a thunderstorm from its approach, small showers, through thunder and rain, then its retreat. As a natural sounds CD, its very well done. For haunt use, its ok.

Title: Screemers
Category: Music
Media: CD, Stereo

By: RCA

Number: 07863 6686-2

Year: 1996

Rating: Very Good

This is a collection of classic Halloween songs and old radio skits from the 50s and 60s. including Purple People Eater (Sheb Wooley), Werewolf Watusi (Bobby Pickett), and the Jabberwork song (sung by Jack Palance!). OK, I'll admit, Im a fan of Bob and Ray. This CD includes their best Halloween radio skits with Dr. Ahkbar. Not scary, but entertaining.

Title: Halloween Havoc

Category: Sound Effects, Music

Media: CD, Stereo

By: KTEL Number: 3615-2 Year: 1996 Rating: Good

A song, a story, and 51 sound effects. Good selection of independent sound effects with

indexes.

Title: Kenya and Tanzania - Witchcraft and Ritual Music

Category: Music Media: CD, Stereo By: Elektra Nonesuch Number: GNPD-2240 Year: 1975 -1991 Rating: Excellent

Want original witch doctor chants? This CD is was recorded in Kenya and Tanzania

during witch doctor ceremonies and secret rituals. Strange and fascinating.

Title: The Private Music of Patrick O'Hearn

Category: Music Media: CD, Stereo By: Private Music

Number: 01005-82104-2

Year: 1992 Rating: Good

Moody and drifting new age music. Interesting and something different. Ethereal, not

scary music.

Title: Songs in the Key of X

Category: Music Media: CD, Stereo By: Warner Brothers Number: 9 46079-2

Year: 1996 Rating: Good

Includes the complete X-Files theme by Mark Snow. Dark and moody songs that loosely.

very loosely follows X-Files themes. The X-File theme is the best track.

Title: **Ministry** (symbols for title)

Category: Music Media: CD, Stereo By: Warner Brothers Number: 9 26727-2

Year: 1992

Rating: Very Good

Wall of noise, gothic rock. Great for a very loud track - pick any song. For a demonic

theme, try Psalm 69.

Title: Oingo Boingo - Best o' Boingo

Category: Music Media: CD, Stereo

By: MCA

Number: MCAD-10424

Year: 1984 -1991 Rating: Must Have!

Looking for a Halloween party CD? This is the one. Period. '..walking with a dead man, waiting for an invitation to arrive..' Every track offers a 'unique' perspective for the ultimate party. Even if you never use it in haunt, it's still great to work by! Heck, anything by Danny Elfman is worth checking out! The Crypt Keeper theme is one of his compositions!

Title: The Crow - Original Motion Picture Soundtrack

Category: Music Media: CD, Stereo

By: Atlantic Number: 82519-2

Year: 1994

Rating: Excellent

For a change of pace from Oingo Boingo, mix in a little from this CD. Industrial, metal, hard and gothic rock combine to create an intense, dark atmosphere.

Title: 100 Sound Effects Category: Sound Effects Media: CD, Stereo By: Sound Sensation

Number: EGBR-2539

Year: ?? Rating: Fair

This is a general-purpose collection of sound effects from a 737 jet taking off to eating potato chips. There are several tracks suitable for haunt use, like baby crying, small crowd frightened, glass breaking, etc. No track index.

Title: 101 Sound Effects -Vol 13

Category: Sound Effects

Media: CD, Stereo By: Gateway Records Number: GCD-4613

Year: ?? Rating: Good

A good general-purpose collection of independent sound effects. Includes a useful track

index.

Title: **Scary Sounds**Category: Atmosphere
Media: Cassette, Stereo

By: ?? Number: ?? Year: ?? Rating: Good

I have an orange labeled cassette with "Scary Cassette - Sons Affreaux" on it. I got it through Morris Costumes. It has limited sound quality through a good stereo, but it really works in a portable cassette player!

Title: Scary Sounds of Halloween

Category: Atmosphere Media: Cassette, Stereo

By: KTel Number: 30254 Year: 1991 Rating: Excellent

The title says it all. Growling, screeches, chains, theremin, screaming victims. Overall a

great collection of sounds arranged to play continuously. Also available on CD.

Title: Mickey Hart - At The Edge

Category: Atmosphere, Music

Media: CD, Stereo By: RYKO

Number: RCD 10124

Year: 1990 Rating: Good

Classified as 'world music', it contains interesting ambient excerpts useful for looping

sequences. Drums, rain, thunder, strings. Not scary.