

# Open the Toybox

**Felonious Bosch** is a six-piece band from the Twin Cities. Two women and four men who make a unique and original sound beyond the sum of their experience, led by the mesmerizing voice and enigmatic lyrics of lead singer **Katy Thomasberg** and “nemonic” melodies by **Scott Nieman**. The 12 songs in *Toybox* range from pastoral to harrowing. The package was illustrated by the frighteningly wonderful **d c ice**.

- “A band that’s come of age, where the shadows loom large, but the music drives onward with power and sweet, luminous grace.” – Chris Nickson
- “...excentricos gringos... ..combines Celtic, Balkan and Middle Eastern, with many psychedelic touches.” – Mundofonics (**one of the best releases of 2010** by this Spanish national radio show)
- “There are an absolutely daunting number of instruments on the stage, but every member of the band plays astoundingly well.” – Michelle Los, *Minneapolis Examiner*
- “...full of surprises, combining pop-rock elements... with dark-ages percussion, wind instrumentation and other-worldly song structures. ...extremely talented musicians, complimented by a brave vocalist. Felonious Bosch will never leave you bored...” – Pam Hill Kroyer, KFAI (Minneapolis) radio DJ

## Who are the Bosch?

### Renée Bracchi – drum kit, percussion

...is a hockey-playing, high-sticking powerhouse drummer. The Blue Up? a three-woman alternative / pop group from Minneapolis released 2 indie albums, then were signed to Columbia Records for their 3rd. Renée later joined Machinery Hill, where she expanded her reach beyond the drum kit.

### Steve Clarke – saxes and flutes

...is an accomplished tenor, soprano, baritone sax, flute and alto flute player, winner of 6 MN Music Awards (MMA) for “Horn Player of the Year.” He has appeared on over 50 recordings including commercials and jingles. Formerly a member of Lamont Cranston and The Strawdogs, his band The Working Stiffs is a highly energetic Jump / Swing ensemble.

### Drew Miller – bass guitar

...is the founder of Boiled in Lead “...the prime purveyor of a style of Celtic music infused with punk-rock attitude...” in the fertile Minneapolis music scene of the mid-1980s, winners of 25+ MMA awards. He also runs Omnium Records, with over 50 releases of “world music that rocks.”

### Scott Nieman – bouzoukis, cittern, guitar, melodies

...has performed in groups including the (Mpls original) Holy Goats and seven thieves combining ethnic and early music with punk, rock, electronic, and dub reggae. He’s also an audio engineer and producer.

### David Stenshoel – violin, saxophone

...is an in-demand performer, who has played professionally since 1975 in a wide variety of styles ranging from Western Swing to African to Persian, and is an original member of Boiled in Lead. In 1988, David won a MMA Award for Best Acoustic Ethnic Violin.

### Katy Thomasberg – vocals, lyrics

...is a writer, musician, producer and recording artist who has fronted critically acclaimed punk rockers Times Beach, and voice and drum group The Collective who were on the Lith Fair tour. Since 1994, she’s sung the demanding lead role of Jesus in the annual First Avenue production of J.C. Superstar.



## Formats and distribution

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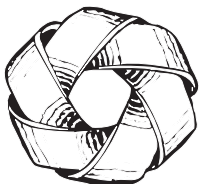
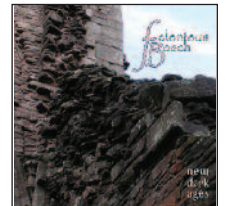
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## about FnB's previous release **New Dark Ages**

- “...a rock band with their own vision colored in differing shades of black. ...sits on the edge of your consciousness, grinning like a demon.” – Chris Nickson, *all music guide*
- “**Unusual and unusually attractive**, Felonious Bosch gives folk tradition a 3.0 upgrade.” – Michael Toland, *High Bias*



Artist – Felonious Bosch Title – Toybox

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