

# No Time Like Now for translator

by David Lutes

This is great stuff! That may sound a little over-enthusiastic but it is a completely fitting description of the sounds of **Translator**, a west coast four-some. Their latest album, **No Time Like Now**, consolidates their position as one of the most interesting and exciting bands to rise out of the new San Francisco music scene. With a unique sound that defies set categories, and bright clever lyrics, they have created a record that should break them into the national scene.



The music on the album is a strange mixture of acoustic guitars à la The Byrds, combined with some new psychedelia and a hard edge that definitely puts them in the present. Producer David Kahne has taken this sound and given it a haunting undercurrent that pulls you into the music. This musical depth appears most beautifully on cuts like "Simple Things", with its brilliant guitar work on top of dance rhythm lines.

Lyricaly, the group has retained the bright-eyed idealism they displayed on last year's debut, **Heartbeats and Triggers**. At ease with either witty pop

visions or a sometimes vicious political commentary, **Translator** manages to charm and excite you at the same time.

I can only hope that more people will have the chance to hear these guys. Their sound could get them airplay on any format, so you might be hearing more from **Translator** soon. And if you were thinking of a purchase, there is really **No Time Like Now**.

For an in-depth review of this album, tune into CKDU's **Hot Off the Presses** at 8 p.m. on Monday, October 31.



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### HOT OFF THE PRESSES

Mon. Oct. 31, 8-9 p.m.: **Translator's No Time Like Now** with David Lutes

Wed. Nov. 2, 8-9 p.m.: **Ryuichi Sakamoto's Merry Christmas, Mr. Lawrence** soundtrack with Roger Dillon

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LW	TW	ARTIST	TITLE	LABEL
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8	2	Boy's Brigade*	Boy's Brigade	Anthem
10	3	Safety Last	Struck By Love	Twin/Tone (US)
1	4	Polkaholics*	Polkaholics EP	Utility Grade
5	5	Shriekback	Care	Warner
4	6	Big Country	The Crossing	Vertigo
17	7	Payolas*	Hammer On A Drum	A&M
6	8	New Order	Confusion (EP)	Factory
13	9	Pete Shelley	XL-1	Arista
7	10	D.A.F.	Fur Immer	Virgin (UK)
23	11	Darkroom*	San Paku	WEA
18	12	Euthenics*	Live	-tape-
11	13	Naked Eyes	Naked Eyes	EMI
-	14	Genesis	Genesis	Atlantic
15	15	Bauhaus	Burning From The Inside	Vertigo
-	16	Levi Dexter	The Fun Sessions	Passport
-	17	Madness	Madness	Geffen
-	18	TBA*	TBA	Fringe Product
22	19	Various Artists	The Best of Ralph	Ralph (US)
-	20	Alan Scarth*	Live	-tape-
25	21	XTC	Mummer	Virgin
-	22	Ryuichi Sakamoto	Merry Christmas, Mr. Lawrence (soundtrack)	Virgin
-	23	Makaface	Sleeping Girls Don't Lie	A&M
-	24	J.J. Cale	#8	Mercury
-	25	Adrian Belew	Twang Bar King	Island
-	26	Stray Cats	Rant'n'Rave	EMI
-	27	Mental As Anything	Creatures Of Leisure	Solid Gold
-	29	Ashley Seaworth*	Curse Of The Mummy	Solar
19	30	Staja/Tanz*	Live	-tape-

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