

## Üpclose Glimpse

## **Artist Statement/Diagnosis**

Üpclose Glimpse is an abstract artist, not just an artist who creates abstract art, he is an abstraction himself.

He says, "Better to be an artist who is abstract, than to be a real artist whose work is abstract."

As a conceptual artist, conceptually, Üpclose is, in essence, an *opportoonistic* virus, his ouvre being visual or "concrete" comedic art.

Since new philosophies are born when new questions are asked, Üpclose asks the question. "If there can be layers of meaning, why not layers of abstraction?"

Üpclose says: "To be or not to be... why not either or both? ... that is the answer. Abstract art has been worked to death anyway. It's time for the artist to become the abstraction. However, The more said about something the less abstract it becomes. You know what I mean?"

Who am I?

Mason Williams.

Since  $\ddot{\text{U}}$  pclose Glimpse is a viral visionist, I, am merely a host of this *opportoonistic* meme.

I caught the Üpclose virus sometime back in 1966. I didn't realize at the time, that I would harbor the virus forever, but I have ever since, periodically breaking out with his ideas.

All I can say is... Üpclose made me do it!

Mason Williams

## A Bare Bones Bio by Mason Williams

I've recorded and released **7 singles**, **24 albums**, and now **2 EPs**. I've written **250 songs**, half of which are pretty good, one of which, **Classical Gas** is apparently really good. I've played at least **1,000 gigs** in a lot of different places. I've written well over **1,000 poems** plus a bunch of other stuff and created **bunches of art** too, published **16 literary/art books** and **5 music books**, written **174 hours of broadcast television** (and even more hours of unbroadcastable television), received **11 awards** and **8 nominations**.

That's it for me. If you're interested in anything else, visit www.masonwilliams-online.com.



Sheri Hoeger has been a professional artist since 1988. As The Mad Stencilist, she has designed hundreds of stencils for her decorative finishing business and her pre-cut stencil line. Sheri caught the Üpclose Glimpse virus from Mason at a party on New Years Day 2007, and hasn't been quite the same since... In her 'spare' time, Sheri directs a school of arts near Placerville, CA, paints, works in pastel, and plays with her poodle, T'loose. Visit www.madstencilist.com for more info.

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