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*"If it's true that all of our earthly radio communications are even now rippling their way across the galaxies in ever-expanding circles, the music of AREA C lets us imagine these sonic ripples at the extreme limit of their journey out, revealing sounds in the moment when substance and meaning begin to fray, break, and fold back on itself under the strain of a glowingly resonant outbound force...."*

## area c

A vertical of error; a transplant to the chamber. Dubbed "space rock for the information age" by WIRE magazine, AREA C weaves a complicated web of sound from minimal sources, mainly guitar, field recordings, Farfisa organ and harmonium, sometimes with an old Hammond drum machine thrown to the wall. Through loop-based experiments with tone, timbre and rhythm, AREA C's music explores the physical and mental spaces we inhabit, drawing on remnants of other times and places, outdated and untested technologies, signals sent out but never received...

Since 2002, Erik Carlson has been creating music under the name AREA C, releasing CDs on Last Visible Dog, Rare Youth, Free Matter 4 the Blind, and Students of Decay. Three new full-length releases are due out in 2008. Erik also works as a sound and installation artist and architect. His permanent sound installation (titled "Lo Rez/Hi Fi," a collaboration with architect Meejin Yoon) can be viewed at 1110 Vermont Avenue in Washington DC. He is currently working on commissions from the LEF Foundation and NASA's RI Space Grant Consortium. Erik is also an occasional guitarist and collaborator in Death Vessel. He lives in Providence, RI.

## DISCOGRAPHY

	<u>title</u>	<u>format</u>	<u>label</u>
2008	<i>charmed birds vs. sorcery</i>	full-length cd	Students of Decay
2008	<i>map of circular thought</i>	full-length cd	TBD (forthcoming)
2008	<i>darkens the mind</i>	50 min. cassette	Sloow Tapes (Belgium)
2007	<i>haunt</i>	full-length cd	Last Visible Dog
2007	<i>trick with a knife</i>	7" / cd / multimedia	Trensmat (Ireland)
2006	<i>Rare Youth</i>	compilation track	Rare Youth
2006	<i>traffics + discoveries</i>	full-length cd	Last Visible Dog
2005	<i>Invisible Pyramid</i>	compilation track	Last Visible Dog
2005	<i>speed studies #1</i>	3" cd ep	handmd
2005	<i>haunted cobblestones #7</i>	full-length cd	FM4TB
2004	<i>no perfect waves</i>	3" cd ep	handmd
2004	<i>catchment</i>	3" cd ep	handmd
2003	<i>34 / 23</i>	3" cd ep	handmd