

PONCHO (Live Band)



Poncho is the most ambitious and pyrotechnic project of the local **disco music** scene. The group, consisting of **three musicians** interchange the roles of producer, composer and programmer whilst they all interpret various instruments (**Rolling Stone**, January 2009). Poncho are **Zuker**, **Leandro Lopatin** (ex-Turf guitarist), **Fabián Picciano** (Zuker XP) and **Punga**.

Presently, the band has released their first studio album, which features a variety of guests including **LA Spinetta**, **Banda de Turistas**, and the explosive voice of **American Shannon Funchess** (collaborator of the dance-punk band !!! chk chk chk). The record has been produced by the English DJ and producer **Justin Robertson** (who also adds his vocals to one of the songs).

Poncho's show is pure and **powerful** psychedelic electro rock. The general aesthetic proposal and the **live visuals** are handled by the Punga Visual Consorcio Studio (who have shared their creativity in collaboration with the **Chemical Brothers**). In January 2010: Poncho played for **BBC Radio One's** Sunday Best show (the most popular radio station in the UK) presented by the prestigious English DJ **Rob Da Bank** and was also co-headliner at the **Marlboro Music Experience** together with **X-Press 2**, **Infusion** and **Midnight Juggernauts**. They also supported **MOBY** in Buenos Aires on May 2010 and **Alex Kapranos** in January 2011.



By **Paola Capó-García** on January 5th, 2011:

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Poncho's self-titled debut boasts great variety, from classic Euro, fist-bumping beats, to the effusive **pop-rock** of **Latin America**, a cultural mix that speaks to the EuroLatincentricities of Argentina and its flock. The entire album is a great jolt, perfect for any e-infused fest. But it works wonderfully sober, too.

Ingest the Robertson-sung "**Lend me the light**" below and check out the video for Poncho's collab with Banda de Turistas on "**Kansas**". Argentina's Poncho Gets All Fear And Loathing In New Video For "Kansas".

For those of you unfamiliar with Hunter S. Thompson's Fear and Loathing in Las Vegas, the new Argentine indie pop group Poncho is offering a refresher in their video for "Kansas," feat. **Banda de Turistas**. Kaleidoscopic butterflies? Cartoon caterpillars in the desert? A seriously ugly dude who looks totally tweaked? It's all there. An Ekeko burns rubber in the "Kansas" video.

Different concept, though. The protagonist in the video is an Ekeko, an ancient **funny-faced** deity that brought abundance to the Incan empire. In the video, he travels **through the desert** on a motorcycle, encountering **trippy things** and eventually breaking out in a **sweet pop**-and-lock.

"Kansas," off the trio's recent debut album **Ponchototal** is straightforward outer space **electropop**. Sirens, 80s video game blips, and a steady beat whir around a repetitive vocal melody delivered by Banda De Turistas' Luis Alberto Spinetta. Check out the video for "Kansas" below!

More information and videos here:

<http://www.poncho.com.ar>
<http://www.facebook.com/pages/PONCHO/277325360323>
<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=I55CQWNli9o>
<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=YUFZk70zNGM&feature=fvsr>
<http://blurt-online.com/reviews/view/2697>
<http://www.rollingstone.com.ar/1094978>
<http://www.sorrelmw.com/poncho-packs-a-punch>



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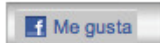


Poncho is that dope combination of all the best parts of dance music and rock. That probably sounds neutered in 2011, but it's actually kind of raw. What these Argentines have is the ability to craft musical intricacies with an undeniable infectiousness to move your feet, whether it's from club beats or hard riffs. On "D.I.S.C.O." (another one of those archaic but re-invigorated genres), the duo teams up with Shannon of !!! (Chk Chk Chk), to craft an uncanny feet mover. !!! is no joke when it comes to inspiring serious dance moves. Together? Magic. You can grab this here and on Poncho's album *Ponchototal*—replete with more get down anthems—out now on Nacional.

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Meet Poncho: Argentina sounds British

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Née: Zuker, Leandro Lopatin, Fabian Picciano, DJ Justin Robertson

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