

ZWERG Biography

Monctonian singer-songwriter **Eldon Thiele** began singing onstage at the tender age of 3, and began studying piano at age 5 under the watchful guidance of his music teacher father **John Betts**. He later attended the prestigious *Notre Dame D'Acadie* music school, going on to win numerous 1st place awards at *The Greater Moncton Music Festival*.

Much of Thiele's childhood was spent touring with his family's singing group **The Betts Family**. At age 18, Thiele conceived his one-man band **ZWERG**, which has released 4 CDs to-date, as well as a music video which aired on *MuchMoreMusic*. His first two releases, *Sepsis & To Myopic Mutts*, were featured extensively on national radio shows *Radiosonic & Brave New Waves*, and were well-received by college radio.

ZWERG has collaborated with the likes of **John Mullane** (In-Flight Safety), **Rick White** (Eric's Trip/Elevator), **Tim Isaac** (Isaac & Blewett), **Alex Madsen** (The Divorcees), **Danny & Mike Bourgeois**, **Robin Anne Ettles** (Mel Keith & The Strombachs, Sol) and **Stacy Ricker** (Sol); he has shared the stage with such musical luminaries as **Jessica Rhaye**, **Matt Mays** and **El Torpedo**, and **Wintersleep**.

Thiele has played numerous acclaimed music festivals such as *Pop Montreal*, *The East Coast Music Awards*, and *Music New Brunswick Week*, and is presently recording a Maritime folk-influenced album at his home studio. The piano driven indie-pop of his current release, the *Package Up My Soul EP*, is a departure from the electronica of his previous album, *iNTo tHe 4tH diMeNSiOn*.

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