

## Poni Hoax - Involutive Star

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Poni Hoax is a five man army of French "jeunes gens modernes," bookworm musicians and extremely talented composers. Their lead vocalist, Nicolas Ker tackles an ambitious and unique style that walks the thin line between a decadent Morrissey or an elegiac Jim Morrison -- he's a quizzical dandy with an exotic touch who shares a close symbiosis with the band's lead composer, Laurent Bardainne. Next to this ubiquitous duo are Arnaud Roulin (keyboard/bass), Nicolas Villebrin (guitar) and Vincent Taeger (drums), partners in crime and über-accomplished musicians who have share a love for the French "variétés" such as Feist, Jane Birkin, Dave!, etc. Together they fuel the fire of an iridescent musical flame laced with infectious, nearly fatal melodies. Under the patronage of producer Joakim Bouaziz, one of Europe's most talented remixers (Air, Lionel Hampton, Tiga, Annie), Poni Hoax take the lead in a most unanticipated way. One could qualify their style as rock n' roll music with a wild hybridization of Italo disco, noisy garage and murder ballads. Poni Hoax could be the third millennium Roxy Music, Sonic Youth on Ecstasy, or Giorgio Moroder in bed with Arcade Fire. Such a wide array of taste is something quite unprecedented this side of the Atlantic and recalls exceptional musical genius.

### Band members

Laurent Bardainne (keyboards)

Nicolas Ker (lead singer/alcoholic debris)

Nicolas Villebrun (guitar)

Arnaud Roulin (keyboards)

Vincent Taeger (drums) [www.forcedexposure.com](http://www.forcedexposure.com)