

By the summer of 1972, the Mahavishnu Orchestra was rolling like a mighty juggernaut on the strength of its stunning 1971 debut *The Inner Mounting Flame*, gathering up converts in its wake like a high decibel Pied Piper. "In the very beginning when they played colleges or were opening for someone else, you saw an audience experiencing something that they never heard before in their lives," recalls road manager Elliott Sears. "These people probably never owned a jazz record, never even owned an instrumental record. When the Orchestra got on stage and played this challenging music at that volume, it was a total revelation. They were just in awe of the band."



1. **BIRDS OF FIRE** 5:44
2. **MILES BEYOND** 4:40
3. **CELESTIAL TERRESTRIAL COMMUTERS** 2:55
4. **SAPPHIRE BULLETS OF PURE LOVE** 0:21
5. **THOUSAND ISLAND PARK** 3:20
6. **HOPE** 1:55
7. **ONE WORD** 9:55
8. **SANCTUARY** 5:02
9. **OPEN COUNTRY JOY** 3:53
10. **RESOLUTION** 2:09

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