LUNAR ADVENTURES

Lunar Adventures is one band whose music entices the listener to join in the travels far and wide.

This contemporary Vancouver quartet has developed a unique sound from a blend of rock and jazz which combines '60s free jazz rave-ups, '70s Ornette Coleman harmolodics and '80s no-wave minimalism and scronk guitar.

Coat Cooke, tenor and alto saxophones; Ron Samworth, electric guitar; Clyde Reed, "Oregon Bass"; Greg Simpson, drums, percussion and sound collages perform solo and collective improvisations rooted in free jazz and the blues.

Lunar Adventures is named after a composition by Coat Cooke, who, together with Simpson, creates all of the material for the group.

Recently nominated as Jazz Performers of the Year for the West Coast Music Awards, their latest edition tape was recorded in Seattle in the 1987 New City New Jazz Series and is entitled **Alive in Seattle**.

Their previous 1986 **Full Moon** radiates Latin and rock styles with a touch of Celtic harmolodics. It won the Best Jazz Performers of the Year award presented by the Canadian Association of Recording Artists.

Since forming in 1985, Lunar Adventures has played the du Maurier International Jazz Festival three times, opened for Ornette Coleman's Prime Time in 1988 and played the Edmonton Jazz Festival.