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**Yoshinori Hayashi Announces New Album, *Pulse of Defiance*,
Out April 9th On Smalltown Supersound**

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Tokyo-based producer **Yoshinori Hayashi** announces his new album, ***Pulse of Defiance***, out **April 9th** on **Smalltown Supersound**. The album is an outstanding statement, expanding Hayashi's ever-growing world of sound and showcasing his musical versatility in the process. Spanning ecstatic jungle breaks, club-ready techno, and free jazz's unpredictable gait, *Pulse of Defiance* is a sonic journey through Hayashi's marvelous mind that provides new surprises at every turn, and with every successive listen. Jockeying lead single “**Touch**” oscillates with floating synth and a danceable beat, presenting a first taste of his expansive and addicting sound.

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Pulse of Defiance is the latest and most fascinating step in Hayashi's still-blooming career—a half-decade of fantastically quixotic output that's established him as one of electronic music's most fascinating aural conjurers. After a string of releases on esteemed labels like Lovers Rock, Going Good, and JINN, Hayashi made his Smalltown Supersound debut with 2019's ***Ambivalence***, his first full-length album. An immersive and fascinating work, *Ambivalence* submerged Hayashi's sound in distant, underwater textures that added layers of allure to its loose, jazzy confines; it was followed up by last year's ***Y***, a four-tracker that splayed drum-machine freakouts and wobbly low-frequency textures across techno's brittle framework.

In 2020, space disco masterminds **Prins Thomas** and **Bjørn Torske** offered lush remixes of *Ambivalence* cuts that emphasized just how musically fluid Hayashi's style is—and *Pulse of Defiance* is more concrete proof that he's working without limitations. Within the opening third of the album's enticing sprawl, the listener's treated to gorgeous jazzy hip-hop breaks, upward-scaling piano drama, and cavernous techno reminiscent of rave-era greats like Orbital and Underworld. From noise-bursted drum'n'bass to rapid-fire club music, there simply is nothing Hayashi can't do.

Indeed, such virtuosic and diverse-sounding music collected in a single statement brings to mind myriad reference points; but *Pulse of Defiance* is also a work that could only come from him at this point, the latest delightfully surprising release from a musician that continues to chart his own path.

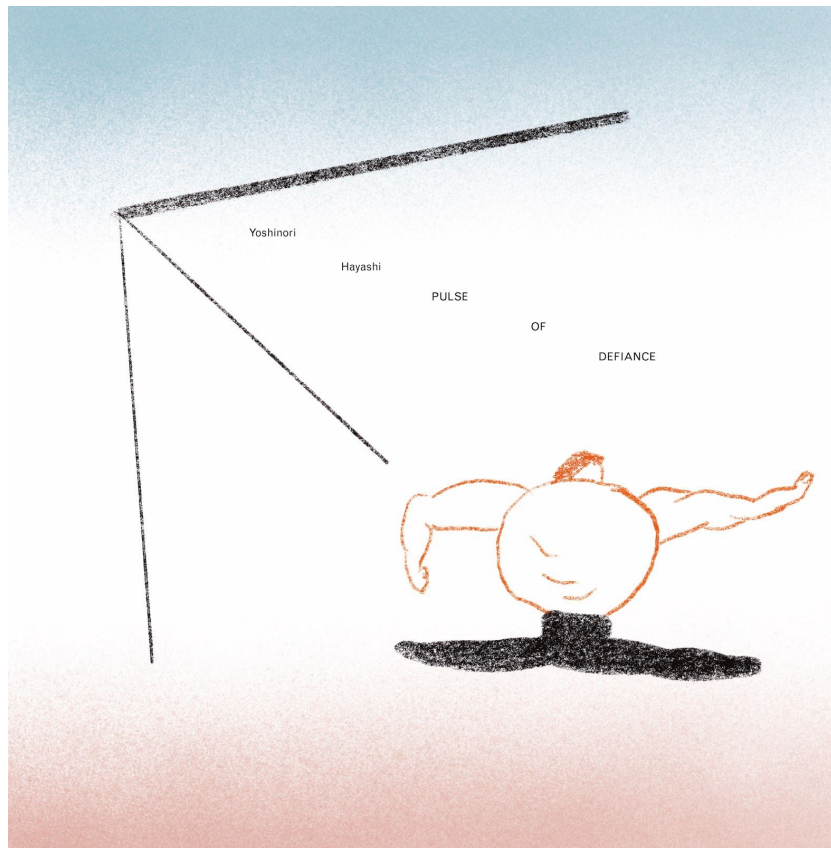
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***Pulse of Defiance* Tracklist:**

1. Callapse
2. Make Up One's Mind
3. Luminescence
4. Touch
5. Twilight

6. Go With Us
7. Morning Haze
8. Frequency
9. Flow
10. Shut Up
11. Gallop
12. I Believe In You

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