



Bio information: **CHEER-ACCIDENT**  
Title: **YOU SMILE – THE SONG IS OVER** (Cuneiform Rune 546/547)  
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FILE UNDER: **ROCK / ART ROCK**

*Chicago's fave longstanding art rock / alt-rock / post-pop group*  
**CHEER-ACCIDENT**  
*release*  
**YOU SMILE – THE SONG IS OVER**  
*on*  
**CUNEIFORM RECORDS,**  
*as a double disc package*  
*containing the prolific band's*  
*27th!!! studio album*  
**AND**  
*the Dada-ist live performers' first-ever live release and first-ever DVD,*  
*featuring live shows from 2022 and 2023*

*"Music scenes come and go, but the Accident persist, reminding us that they're still one of the greatest, most challenging, and most fun bands that Chicago has ever produced—and that their music will always transcend genre and hype."  
– The Chicago Reader*

Over the past four decades as staples of Chicago's indie scene, **CHEER-ACCIDENT** [always capitalized and always with a hyphen] have performed hundreds of shows all over the USA and Europe and have released dozens of albums.

While they have always been a band with a 'floating membership', the last few years have seen the band very impressively touring with an expanded line-up of between 7-10 members.

This release includes their new studio album [their 27th] and two live concerts from 2022 and 2023 [with that expanded personnel] on the group's first-ever DVD [also their first-ever live release].

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And now, a few words from **Thymme Jones**, the enigmatic CHEER leader behind CHEER-ACCIDENT:

*"You Smile — The Song Is Over is CHEER-ACCIDENT's 27th full-length release, out on the most-singular / most-still-standing Cuneiform Records label.*



*It is an ambitious little monster, with lots of density and lots of sprawl, and it's the perfect catalyst to force you out of your idiotic, culturally imposed ADD stupor. **You Smile** is, by turns, both meditative and adventurous, and we don't see why you would leave your couch and/or headphones for a very long time.*

*We've been **Enduring The American Dream** for three decades now, so — surely — we are better at it... probably because the Dream has gotten so much bigger and there's so much more to Endure.*

***You Smile — The Song Is Over**, an hourlong investment of your time, is perhaps the most potent example in recent memory of a work that oscillates between the poles of "When will it end?" and "I hope it never ends."*

*And, so, it's quite possible that, after the hour is up, you will decide to play it again. And it will be a mistake. And then it will be the best decision you ever made. And so on.*

*Just to pile on some more "embarrassment of riches," this package also includes a DVD with live performances from the **CheerAx Basement** (2022) and **Reggie's** (2023). This is the first time that any live video or audio material by **CHEER-ACCIDENT** has been officially released.*

**\*\*\* Conspicuous Assets \*\*\***

• Performances and/or writing by many familiar faces in the **CHEER-ACCIDENT** world, such as **Thymme Jones, Jeff Libersher, Alex Perkolup, Mike Hagedorn, Scott Rutledge, Laura Boton, Ross Feller, Eleanor Schumacher, Wyatt, Cory Bengtsen and Bethany Smoker.**

• **John Bruce Yeh**, Assistant Principal Clarinet of the **Chicago Symphony Orchestra**, is featured on a song.

• Recorded (in part) and mastered (in full) by **Todd Rittmann (US Maple and Dead Rider).**

• Eclectically rendered and tightly conceived in **The Music Capital Of The World: Chicago, IL."**

– **Thymme Jones**