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What is the Alchillator?

To a large degree, the expressiveness and interaction with an instrument is imposed by its anatomy. For example, the different constituent parts of a saxophone or a double bass do not only affect the timbres of the instruments but also their response to playing.

The Alchillator consists of a software based stereophonic network of interconnected oscillators. The way the system is interfaced also significantly affects how the Alchillator is played. The anatomy of the Alchillator is therefore intangible and malleable. To avoid saturating the player with immensely wide sonic possibilities, the available parameters are carefully selected and ergonomically mapped to MIDI controllers. This allows for an agile real-time interaction and responsive playing conducive to the Alchillators' distinct character. Rather than being a solo instrument for generating exotic sounds, the Alchillator fits well in an improvised group setting, allowing the player to playfully shift perspectives and act as a trickster teasing out new forms of expression.

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1. Tempest wails 13: 15
2. Crossroads 03: 13
3. Diamond dunes 11: 26
4. Marble Sparkle 05: 18
5. Subliminal appearances 05: 09
6. Your ballroom dress 06: 29
7. Nobody's Business 02: 49
8. Beauty is not a thing 10: 04
9. Beaches blue 08: 46
10. Flowers don't know 05: 44
11. Cornhole 02: 46

Total time 75: 15