

Jon Hester

As a fan of electronic music from both sides of the decks, Jon Hester embraces tracks suited for the mood at hand. With this discerning momentum, he walks a line between techno purism and the raw energy of a moody dance floor. His productions take a nod from years of classical music training and endless hours of dancing like nobody's watching. Hester's DJ sets can include anything from peak time techno and body-rocking house to smooth, deep soundscapes, complimented with outboard effects and live saxophone. Jon rises to each occasion with an engaging presence, a passionate connection with his audience, and a knack for telling a story. He programs dynamic, memorable sessions that give each moment a purpose. From pulse-pounding exhilaration to afterhours grooves, he is adept at taking the listener on a journey. In addition to his riveting musical prowess, his proformance technique is uncanny and evokative. Participants in this musical endeavour can expect to find Jon dancing behind the mixer, wearing masks and stage makeup; or even wielding whistles, air horns, or flowers. He stirs up the party, a true showman and man of the people.

It was not long after joining forces with the Midwest's Intellephunk and Microhouse Minneapolis that he launched his own party concept, Convergence. Acting as promoter, designer, host, and resident DJ, he has produced a prolific breadth of memorable dance music events. From dressed up hot spots to underground sweatboxes, Jon Hester and the inexhaustible Convergence brand maintain. The next chapter for Jon: Convergence Spain and EPs on various imprints including his own Timefog Label.

Jon has shared the decks with Daniel Bell, Marco Carola, Paco Osuna, Audion/Matthew Dear, Radioslave, M.A.N.D.Y., Cabanne, Ryan Elliott, Jeff Milligan, Derek Plaslaiko, and Rob Hall, and played an active role in presenting artists in Minneapolis such as Magda, Alexi Delano, Sammy Dee, Argenis Brito, Matt John, Mike Shannon, Jeff Samuel, and Jay Haze, among others. Jon has also performed in Chicago, Detroit, at Millennium in Girona, Spain in 2005, and at the ULTRA Music festival 2007 in Miami alongside acts such as Richie Hawtin, Loco Dice, Carl Cox, Danny Tenaglia, Josh Wink, Tiga, Tiefschwarz, DJ Hell, Damian Lazarus, Miss Kittin, and more.