Manual to Dreams & Visions

We've tried to keep the menu handling of Dreams & Visions as logical and easy to use as possible. Although this manual looks extensive, it's all pretty simple and intuitive really. Have fun !

This manual is the same for both DVD stand-alone and PC playback using the included VCDplayer program. Where there are differences it will be indicated with *Italic text*.

NOTE: When using a DVD stand-alone player:

First: Verify in the settings of your player that the PBC option is set to ON. Check your player's manual in case of doubt how to set this. On most players this is turned on by default.

Function	DVD player	Roxio VCD player s/w (cursor keys)
[RETURN]	Return	$\boldsymbol{\uparrow}$
[NEXT]	>	\rightarrow
[PREVIOUS]	<	\leftarrow
[NUMBER KEY]	0-9	0-9

Basically all controls on the disc are with the following keys:

NOTE: For DVD stand-alone player playback: The [MENU] button is never used with VCD playback. Remember this is not a DVD so you won't be able to use the cursor keys to select tracks with a stand-alone DVD player.

Insert the disc. It will start automatically.

NOTE: If playback does not start automatically on your PC, browse to the cdrom or dvd-rom drive and double click VCD_Play.exe. Alternatively, you can use your preferred DVD playback program like PowerDVD or WinDVD. Please note that controls vary in these programs and that this manual is only for the included Roxio VCDplayer program.

You will get an intro screen and warning. You can't skip out of these, but they don't take long to play. Next there are two intro tracks. If you have seen Dreams & Visions a couple of times you may want to skip over them to go to the menu directly. You can do so by pressing [RETURN] or [NEXT].

You will now see the MAIN MENU.

From here you can select an era by pressing the corresponding [NUMBER KEY].

You will then see the selected era menu. From there you can select the track you want to see by pressing the corresponding [NUMBER KEY]. You will then immedialtely see the selected track.

You can skip between era menu's by pressing the [NEXT] and [PREVIOUS] buttons. Pressing [RETURN] from any era menu will move you back to the main menu. Pressing [RETURN] from the main menu will restart the disc.

Once in track playback, you can skip tracks using the [NEXT] and [PREVIOUS] buttons. There is no limit between the era's, so if you skip [NEXT] from the last track of one era, you will see the first track of the next era.

Pressing [RETURN] from any track will bring you back to the menu of the corresponding era.

If you let a track run to the end, it will commence with the next track. This way, you can start with the very first track (Are You Hearing What I Hear) and play the disc all the way through without having to use any menu's.

In fact, all menu's play twice and if you haven't selected any track it will start playback of the first track of that era. The main menu will start with playback of the very first track, being Are You Hearing What I Hear. This way, you could still watch the entire disc without pressing a single key.

The [NUMBER KEY]s only work in the menus and have NO function during track playback.

IMPORTANT NOTES:

SOMETHING ABOUT PICTURE QUALITY WITH DVD-STANDALONE PLAYER PLAYBACK:

VCD is not DVD. Do not expect DVD picture quality. Remember the source is VHS tapes, and so this is the limiting factor. When watching the VCD on a normal TV, with normal viewing distance, Dreams & Visions should look as good as a VHS tape.

SOMETHING ABOUT PICTURE QUALITY WITH PC PLAYBACK:

Please realize that this is a VCD and that the source material comes from VHS tapes. These formats are initially meant for TV playback. Dreams & Visions has a resolution of 352 x 288 pixels (PAL) or 352 x 240 pixels (NTSC). Today's PC's have resolutions of at least double of that resolution. Therefore, if you will playback Dreams & Visions full screen in these higher resolutions, you will notice the limits of the VHS and VCD standards. There is nothing we can do about this. Do not expect DVD quality. We suggest to watch Dreams & Visions either in it's original resolution, or watch it full screen and take some distance from the screen (like you would do with a TV).

More information:

If you would like to learn more about the backgrounds, technical processes and track by track comments you can find two documents on Dreams & Visions that are in the .pdf format. You can read these files with <u>Adobe</u> <u>Acrobat Reader</u> from any computer.

Simply put the disc in your CD-ROM or DVD-ROM drive (close the included VCD player program if it started) and browse to the following filenames:

TechProc.pdf	Explains global technical process of creating Dreams &
	Visions

ProdNote.pdf Production Notes with info per video.

You cannot view these files on a standalone DVD player.

Troubleshooting:

Q: My DVD player should playback VCD's but it doesn't work, or the menu's don't work correctly.

A: Check your DVD player manual and settings and MAKE SURE that PBC (Play Back Control) is **enabled**.

Q: I want to play Dreams & Visions using Windows Media Player but I can only see the menu's or tracks separately

A: Although some versions of WMP can play back individual tracks on a VCD, it does not support the advanced menu features used on this disc. To get the full experience and ease of use we suggest installing proper DVD-player software, or use the player software on the disc itself (VCD_PLAY.EXE).

Q: My copy of Dreams & Visions will not start automatically when I put it in my CD-ROM or DVD-ROM drive in my PC. What am I doing wrong ?

A: Most likely, you (or your system administrator) have turned off the autorun function of Windows. Quickest way to start is to browse to the contents of the VCD and start VCD_PLAY.EXE. Alternatively, you can use Start-Run and then enter: x:vcd_play where x is your CD-rom or DVD-rom drive letter.

Q: I've tried everything but I cannot get Dreams & Visions to play on my DVD player/PC.

A: We cannot support you on technical issues. Please refer to <u>www.vcdhelp.com/forum/index.php</u> or <u>www.vcdhelp.com</u> and use the search options. Virtually all problems and questions about VCD playback have been asked (and answered) already on this forum.