

Elephant Revival

Fact Sheet



ABOUT *PETALS*

New album, *Petals*, out April 1st on Thirty Tigers

Elephant Revival's is the music of connection and the message of *Petals*, their most intimate album to date, is not how life is about loss, but rather how much life there is in loss. The album embodies a deepening, as the quintet dives into themes of loss and rebirth, time and memory, love unbound by body or farewell. But this is not an album about despair or darkness; it's a thanksgiving and a prayer for what endures and returns.

The music maintains its roots in American and Celtic songcraft, but on *Petals*, the band achieves a compositional maturity that, in moments, can evoke the modern classical ensemble. Eclecticism, though a key feature of their sound, has never been the point. For these multi-instrumentalists, these singers and writers, sound and song serve one another: the play between instrumentation, composition, emotion and restraint is an organic unfolding.

Petals was produced by Sam Kassirer (Josh Ritter, Lake Street Dive, Langhorne Slim,) mixed by Brian Deck (Iron & Wine, Modest Mouse, Josh Ritter) and recorded at the Great North Sound Society in Parsonsfield, ME and The Studio at eTown Hall in Boulder, CO.

ELEPHANT REVIVAL ON *PETALS*

"This record has a lot of space and grit—an honoring of silence juxtaposed with some really intense moments. Recording *Petals* was all about breaking musical patterns and sonic recipes that we have been using for our previous records. Sam Kassirer helped us hear sounds and arrangements that we might not have heard if left to our own devices. It was really about broadening our tool kit. *Petals* is an adventurous album, where we went places we've never been before, which is exactly what an artist yearns for."

—Daniel Rodriguez

BAND

Bonnie Paine - lead vocals, washboard, cello and musical saw

Daniel Rodriguez - lead vocals, guitar and percussion

Bridget Law - fiddle and harmony vocals

Dango Rose - upright bass, mandolin and harmony vocals

Charlie Rose - banjo, pedal steel, guitar and harmony vocals

The band is based in and around Lyons, CO.

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ELEPHANT REVIVAL ON *PETALS* (CONT.)

“There are some songs with a lot of different layers, from gritty string parts with a giant concert bass drum to ambient or edgy amp sounds with found objects like chains for percussion, and then there are some songs that are very stripped down and vulnerable with really raw vocals and intimate instrumentation. The new addition of pedal steel and cello, and the nature of some of the songs chosen, brought a sense of uncharted territory and welcomed a more exploratory approach.”

—Bonnie Paine

HISTORY

Moved by the separation and subsequent death of three elephants at the Chicago zoo, bass and mandolin player Dango Rose was inspired to busk in front of what was once their enclosure. Naming the band after these elephants was not just a gesture, but a true endeavor to create meaning and grace from loss.

TOURING

Elephant Revival has toured extensively since their inception, garnering a large and loyal fanbase. The band headlines major venues and has performed at over 30 festivals each year, including Newport Folk Fest, Bumbershoot, Telluride Bluegrass, High Sierra, All Good and many more.

QUOTES

“Elephant Revival is not only one of the more interesting bands working on the American roots scene but one of the best. Quiet and understated they may be, but they have talent and chops to burn and confidence in what they do. Confidence that’s fully justified.”

—Maverick Magazine (UK)

“The Colorado folk group pulls together so many elements of American music that summing up its sound in just a few words is bound to prove inadequate.”

—NPR

UPCOMING

The band is currently on a national tour with Josh Ritter which started mid-January and will continue through February.

The band will be headlining their own album release tour from March 22 through May 13.

On May 22, Elephant Revival will headline the legendary Red Rocks Amphitheatre in their home state of Colorado for the first time.

STUDIO ALBUMS

Elephant Revival

(2008 Self-released)

Break In The Clouds

(2010 Ruff Shod Records)

These Changing Skies

(2013 Thirty Tigers)

Petals

(2016 Thirty Tigers)

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