

MUSIC CONNECTION

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Juni Ata

Saudade

Flying on Fire Records

Producers: Jake Rossowog and Steve Cropper

If anguish brightens an artist's muse, the sorrow paid by Juni Ata (nee Jesse Daniel Edwards) resulting in *Saudade* makes this an unmatched listen. As a singer-songwriter, his simple-yet-incisive lyrics deeply resonate, but it's the multi-instrumentalist's supple compositional abilities that deliver silky complexity. Fusing sophistication with heartache and elegance with regret, these songs yearn to be shared, though their careening emotionality may trigger audiences into locking this one deep inside. – **Andy Kaufmann**

