



CATHERINE GRAINDORGE Songs for the Dead

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DESCRIPTION

Following her thrilling 2022 duo EP with **Iggy Pop** (*The Dictator*) Belgian composer/musician **Catherine Graindorge** returns with a luminous ensemble album. Instrumental and vocal songs of life, love and death. Inspired by mythologies and elegies from the Greeks to the Beats. Over the years, Catherine Graindorge has worked with an incredible cast of collaborators, including Iggy Pop, **Nick Cave**, **Hugo Race**, and producer **John Parish (PJ Harvey)**. But for *Songs for the Dead* she wanted a small, tight ensemble, so she called on regular collaborators **Simon Ho** on keyboards, and bassist **Pascal Humbert (16 Horsepower, Lilium, Détroit)** who both know her and her music well. Best known as the vocalist with **And Also the Trees**, Jones's voice gives the lines gravity, a delivery between singing and speaking. "I recorded demos of the music I'd written and sent them to him," Graindorge recalls, "then he returned them with his ideas for the words. He understood what I was looking for." Things coalesced quickly, and by the time they went into the studio "almost everything was written, so we didn't need to discuss much. We took six days to record the album, then another five to complete the mixing." All the mixing was analogue, Graindorge explains because "it's warmer, and it makes more sense to me with my instruments and the way I write, acoustically on violin and viola. More like baroque music, in a way." *Songs for the Dead* is quite deliberately an album that gives space for the imagination, "where people can come and go in the music," Graindorge says. And there's plenty to explore in the stories of Orpheus and Eurydice and **Ginsberg's** dream meeting with **Joan Burroughs**. Myths ancient and modern. Legends and stories. "I like to tell a story," she says. "I come from theatre, and I'm also an actor. These are narratives, questions and answers that relate and connect to each other."

TRACKLISTING

01. Eurydice
02. Small Trees
03. Orpheus' Head
04. Joan
05. This Is A Dream
06. The Unvisited Garden
07. Where The Buzzards Fly
08. Time Is Broken

HIGHLIGHTS

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