



EX-VÖID In Love Again

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DESCRIPTION

Ex-Vöid – featuring **Lan McArdle (Joanna Gruesome, Lanny)** and **Owen Williams (The Tubs)** – return with their second LP: *In Love Again*. Joined by **Laurie Foster** (bass) and **George Rothman** (drums), the record sees the band flourish from a chaotic power punk group into a fully-fledged pop behemoth. Taking in elements of shoegaze ("Pinhead"), country ("Outline"), '90s indie rock ("In Love Again") and pretty much the entire history of guitar music, *In Love Again* reveals McArdle and Williams to be true students of perfect pop. The pair have been collaborating for a decade now, having played in Joanna Gruesome as teenagers, and *In Love Again* sees them both building on the sound they've honed together and embracing a new, unapologetic attitude towards songcraft. Backed by the tight-yet-raucous rhythm section of Foster and Rothman, *In Love Again* delivers as a huge pop album without sacrificing any of the hardcore propulsion that characterized the band's first album. Perhaps the most striking aspect of the Ex-Vöid sound is the sublime blend of McArdle and Williams' vocals: close, folk-indebted harmonies which guide the listener through an onslaught of hooks. And while this is utilized to full effect on *In Love Again*, the album also sees McArdle make full use of their vocal range. In keeping with their new sound, McArdle and Williams have taken a more autobiographical, nuanced approach to lyric writing this time around, a move influenced by touring with **Waxahatchee**. The hints of folk and country embedded in the tunes also stretch to this new lyrical approach – storytelling and heartbreak abound. The band's first LP, *Bigger Than Before*, received positive coverage in **Pitchfork**, **SPIN**, **Stereogum**, and others. It received airtime on **BBC Radio 6**, and saw the band support/tour with acts such as Waxahatchee, **Speedy Ortiz** and **Alvvays**. Williams also fronts The Tubs – whose 2023 debut saw them touring internationally and receiving plaudits from Pitchfork, The Guardian and **Iggy Pop**.

TRACKLISTING

01. Swansea
02. In Love Again
03. July
04. Nightmare
05. Pinhead
06. Lonely Girls
07. Sara
08. Strange Insinuation
09. Down The Drain
10. Outline

HIGHLIGHTS

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