

LUCIUS' NEW SONG "WHITE LIES" DEBUTS TODAY

NEW ALBUM SECOND NATURE OUT APRIL 8 ON DINE ALONE RECORDS (CANADA)

PRODUCED BY DAVE COBB AND BRANDI CARLILE

NORTH AMERICAN SPRING TOUR CONFIRMED Includes Stop In Toronto, May 18 at Danforth Music Hall



[Link to album cover art here]

"It's the startlingly good originals, though, that knock you out, putting the sweetest female harmony singing you'll ever hear to use on fascinating little sketches of domestic turmoil." — *Variety*

"... Jess Wolfe and Holly Laessig's soaring vocals make a massive pop sound and hint at new possibilities for one of our favorite bands." — NPR

"Show-Stealing Sirens." — The Globe and Mail

"...the only thing as amazing as the band was the bond with the audience." — The New York Times

(February 10, 2022) — Acclaimed indie pop band Lucius' new song, "White Lies," is out today—listen/share HERE.

Reflecting on the song, **Jess Wolfe** shares, "White Lies' was the first song we wrote after I got divorced. It's the laying in bed at night, cycling through the last 10 years of your life, wondering what was, what could be and why it wasn't. It's the moment right after you rip the band-aid off and are frantically pedaling backwards, trying to hold on to what's left, if anything at all. 'I just want to lie with you,' the double meaning and double-edged sword; if only one last moment together could save you from a broken heart."

"White Lies" is the second song unveiled from Lucius' anticipated new album, **Second Nature**, which will be released **April 8** on **Dine Alone** (Canada), **Mom + Pop Music** (U.S. and Mexico), and **Second Nature Records/Secretly Distribution** (RoW) [pre-order]. Produced by **Dave Cobb** and **Brandi Carlile**, *Second Nature* is a portrait of singer and songwriters **Holly Laessig** and Jess Wolfe's shared reflection, chronicling each other's seismic life shifts—motherhood, divorce, unplanned career pauses—and setting it to music. Ahead of the release, new single, "<u>Next To Normal</u>," recently debuted, of which Paste praises, "hyper-catchy choruses…with a timeless dance groove that does anything but overstay its welcome."

In celebration of the album, the band will embark on a North American headline tour this spring followed by a series of European shows in September. Stops include New York's Beacon Theatre, Philadelphia's The Fillmore and Nashville's Ryman Auditorium, Toronto's Danforth Music Hall (May 18) as well as dates in London, Paris, Berlin among many others. In addition to the headline shows, the band will join Carlile on several marquee concerts this summer including Washington's Gorge Amphitheatre, L.A.'s The Greek Theatre and Colorado's Red Rock Amphitheatre. See below for complete tour details.

"It is a record that begs you not to sit in the difficult moments, but to dance through them," says Wolfe. "It touches upon all these stages of grief—and some of that is breakthrough, by the way. Being able to have the full spectrum of the experience that we have had, or that I've had in my divorce, or that we had in lockdown, having our careers come to a halt, so to speak. I think you can really hear and feel the spectrum of emotion and hopefully find the joy in the darkness. It does exist. That's why we made *Second Nature* and why we wanted it to sound the way it did: our focus was on dancing our way through the darkness."

Recorded primarily at Nashville's historic RCA Studio A, the 10-song album was written by Laessig and Wolfe and features their longtime band members **Peter Lalish**, **Dan Molad** alongside **Solomon Dorsey** with additional contributions from **Drew Erickson**, **Rob Moose** and **Gabriel Cabezas** with mixing by **Rob Kinelski** and Molad as well as Carlile and **Sheryl Crow** on backing vocals.

Of working on the project Carlile shares, "Lucius has been one of my favorite bands since their first studio album. I kept running into them at festivals and finding myself mystified by their power. This album feels like home to me and anyone growing up surrounded by 80s and 90s pop, but somehow *Second Nature* is the beginning of a new era—not just for Lucius, but for all of us. We need to get back up on our feet and that's what this album is insisting we do. This is my first co-production with my dear pal Dave Cobb and I don't know if I've ever been prouder even to witness something let alone get my hands on it. It was an absolute blast."

Second Nature is Lucius' third full-length album and first since 2016's Good Grief. Widely acclaimed since their debut in 2013, **The New York Times** declares, "Luscious, luminous, lilting lullabies," while **NPR Music** asserts, "gorgeous, joyful songs" and **Pitchfork** praises, "powerful voices and a keen sense of melody." In addition to their work in the band, Laessig and Wolfe have recorded with **Sheryl Crow**, **Harry Styles**, **The War on Drugs**, **Ozzy Osborne** and **John Legend** and toured extensively alongside **Roger Waters**.

SECOND NATURE TRACKLIST

- 01. Second Nature
- 02. Next To Normal
- 03. 24
- 04. Heartbursts
- 05. Dance Around It (feat. Brandi Carlile and Sheryl Crow)
- 06. The Man I'll Never Find
- 07. Promises
- 08. LSD
- 09. Tears in Reverse
- 10. White Lies



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LUCIUS SPRING NORTH AMERICAN TOUR

April 28—North Adams, MA—MASS MoCA April 29—Boston, MA—Roadrunner April 30—Portland, ME—State Theatre May 4—New York, NY—Beacon Theatre* May 6—Montclair, NJ—The Wellmont Theater* May 7—Philadelphia, PA—The Fillmore* May 9—Washington, DC—9:30 Club* May 12—Raleigh, NC—The Ritz* May 13—Atlanta, GA—Variety Playhouse* May 14—Nashville, TN—Ryman Auditorium* May 16—Louisville, KY—Headliners* May 17—Cleveland, OH—Beachland Ballroom* **May 18—Toronto, ON—Danforth Music Hall*** May 20—Chicago, IL—Riviera Theatre* May 21—St. Paul, MN—Palace Theatre*

*with support from Celisse

LUCIUS ON TOUR WITH BRANDI CARLILE

June 11—George, WA—Gorge Amphitheatre June 24—Los Angeles, CA—The Greek Theatre July 8—Nashville, TN—Ascend Amphitheatre July 9—Nashville, TN—Ascend Amphitheatre September 9— Morrison, CO—Red Rocks Amphitheatre

LUCIUS FALL EUROPEAN TOUR

September 17—Dublin, Ireland—Button Factory September 18—Glasgow, U.K.—St. Luke's September 20—Leeds, U.K.—Brudenell Social Club September 23—London, U.K.—Shepherd's Bush Empire September 25—Brussels, Belgium—Grand Salon Botanique September 26—Paris, France—La Maroquinerie September 28—Berlin, Germany—Badehaus Szimpla September 29—Amsterdam, Netherlands—Paradiso Noord

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