

BRIGHT INDIE PROSPECTS

## EXCUSE ME.

ANNOUNCE NEW EP & FIRST OFFERING FROM AMBITIOUS  
SOPHOMORE CONCEPT LP

***II: LEFT BEHIND*** ARRIVES AUGUST 31, 2023

FIRST SINGLE “THE COAST” OUT TODAY

STREAM IT [HERE](#)

***Show Dates Include The Horseshoe Tavern, Toronto on August 18***



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L to R: Aleks Liskauskas, Heyden Jennekens, Jo Seymour, Dylan Creed, and Adam Kuhrt

**(July 27, 2023 - Toronto, ON)** - Indie-alternative outfit and Guelph, Ontario natives, **Excuse Me.**, are excited to announce their new EP ***II: Left Behind*** will arrive independently on August 31, 2023. Alongside the announcement, the burgeoning five-piece also share sunlit anthem “[The Coast](#)”, which joins previously shared “[COPS](#)” on the upcoming EP. In a *Nolan-esque* twist, ***II: Left Behind*** kicks off the narrative of the band's upcoming sophomore album - *right in the middle*. The full album will be released in three chapters, with the first release, ***II: Left Behind***, introducing our protagonist smack dab in the middle of the story. **Stream “The Coast” [here](#).**

With the energy of alternative rock, the emotion of folk, and the technicality of metal and jazz; these five neurotic 20-somethings hailing from Guelph, Ontario make music with a striking sonic maturity for a band with just one full-length record under their belt. It becomes much less surprising when you learn what they've overcome to see their music come to fruition. Forged in fire - *quite literally* - in 2018 after frontman **Aleks Liskauskas'** house burnt down, taking the band's gear with it, just three days before their first show.

Following the fire, Liskauskas was plagued with anxiety-ridden dreams about his teeth falling out, which the band channelled into their 2018 song "[Teeth](#)". Much of their music is written in this way: by five friends trying to make sense of complex emotions.

"This album nearly destroyed us," shares Liskauskas. "After that, we dealt with eviction by shady landlords, being separated by lockdowns, losing 3 almost finished mixes to a faulty hard-drive, and just general passionate in-fighting about how to make each song sound exactly right. It's been an incredibly taxing process, but it's finally finished and is unequivocally the best thing we've ever written. We're excited for people to hear every piece of this story."

As for the new single, Liskauskas continues, "'The Coast' started with a guitar riff that just wouldn't leave our heads. It sounded like the 'free of trouble' place we go to in our minds when life gets rough."

With dreamy synths and the ambience of surf rock, the track embodies the idealised sunny American coast that countless artists have tried to capture in song. This place is exactly where our protagonist sets out for in "The Coast". Frustrated and defeated at the state of his life, our protagonist imagines a far off place on the west coast where life is perfect.

With a combination of emotional depth and boundary-pushing intention, the group has a remarkable ability to transform intricate songwriting into a captivating experience that tugs at your heartstrings while igniting an irresistible urge to scream and dance. Having steadily amassed a dedicated following in the vibrant music hotbed that is Southern Ontario, Excuse Me. is poised to reach new heights with their upcoming EP.

Excuse Me. have shared the stage with the likes of **Alessia Cara** and **The Strumbellas** at Riverfest 2022, Canadian supergroup **TUNS**, and **Snotty Nose Rez Kids**. They have also amassed an impressive online following, with **2.3 million views** on **TikTok**.



*II: Left Behind EP* artwork - Download [HERE](#) | “The Coast” Single Artwork - Download [HERE](#)

***II: Left Behind EP* Tracklist**

01. [The Coast](#)
02. Consulting
03. Trans Am
04. [Cops](#)

**UPCOMING LIVE SHOWS:**

**AUG 4 - Waterloo, ON - Maxwell's**  
w/ Living Room for Small and Housecat - [TICKETS](#)

**AUG 18 - Toronto, ON - Horseshoe Tavern - [TICKETS](#)**  
w/ Jimbo and Soda -

**SEP 01 - Guelph, ON - *II: Left Behind* EP release show**  
Ticket link: Not available yet

**SEP 16 - Brantford, ON - Grand River Arts Festival - [TICKETS](#)**

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