



NAKED GIANTS TO RELEASE *THE SHADOW* AUGUST 21st, 2020

[SPIN](#) PREMIERES "TAKE A CHANCE" VIDEO FILMED IN SELF QUARANTINE TODAY

"A one-of-a-kind band." - *Paste Magazine*

"Naked Giants might just be your new favorite band (we promise!)." - *Alternative Press*

Naked Giants are set to release *The Shadow* on August 21st, 2020 via New West Records. The 11-song set was produced by Chris Funk of the Decemberists and follows the Seattle, WA-based trio's *Green Fuzz* EP (2019) and debut album *SLUFF* (2018). Steadily building up their reputation as a tremendous live act, Naked Giants were named Seattle's best live band by **The Seattle Times** at the end of 2018 and **Rolling Stone** named the band one of the "30 Best Artists We Saw" during SXSW that year as well. The trio spent most of the past two years pulling double duty as both members of the Car Seat Headrest live band and also supporting each Car Seat Headrest performance with their own set as Naked Giants as well.

Today, [SPIN](#) has premiered the video for the first single, "Take A Chance," which was filmed by the individual members during self-quarantine during the Covid-19 pandemic. **SPIN** says, "'Take A Chance' best encapsulates the band's ethos as they head into *The Shadow*. In a shade under three minutes, the clip see the trio dance together but separately in quarantine and the song is a callback to classic early 2000s garage rock." Speaking to **SPIN**, the band said "'Take A Chance' is a new step in the dance-the-stress-away attitude we've had since the band was formed. This time around it's a bit more focused – we're exploring these big unanswered questions in our lives, like the mechanisms of privilege and oppression or the capitalist oxymoron of individualism and assimilation, and we're pairing it all with a danceable backbeat to tell people it's ok to get up off the couch and do something about it." See the "Take A Chance" video [HERE](#).

The Shadow is an energetic and exhilarating musical rollercoaster ride. Within the first ten minutes the band has already careened through a blitz of post-punk riffing, wastoid gang shouting, a singalong anthem-for-the-disaffected, and a Talking Heads-ish funk-rock workout with bits of shimmery synth and lo-fi slide guitar riffing thrown in for good measure. *The Shadow* also reveals new and welcome layers to the Naked Giants sound, both musically and lyrically. The band say *The Shadow* “is a much more honest album than *SLUFF* — we’ve come to realize that the path to becoming a better person and bringing positivity into the world isn’t always linear, and there’s a lot of growth in taking an honest look at the ‘shadow-y’ parts of life. Whether it’s personal anxiety and depression or collective guilt and trauma, there’s always a part of yourself that’s hard to confront and understand. But *The Shadow* is all about facing that darkness and having the strength to bring it into the light.”

While they might be older (average age: 23) and wiser, the band members — Grant Mullen (Vocals, Guitar), Gianni Aiello (Vocals, Bass) and Henry LaVallee (Drums) — are still out to conjure a rip-roaring good time.

The Shadow will be available across digital platforms, on compact disc, and standard black vinyl. A limited Coke Bottle Clear Vinyl Edition will be available at Independent Retailers and is also available for pre-order NOW via [NEW WEST RECORDS](#).

Naked Giants *The Shadow* Track Listing:

1. Walk Of Doom
2. High School (Don’t Like Them)
3. Take A Chance
4. Turns Blue
5. (God Damn!) What I Am
6. The Ripper
7. Unpeeled
8. Television
9. Better Not Waste My Time
10. The Shadow
11. Song For When You Sleep

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