Garretson & Gorodetsky "Beauty & Sadness"

Eclectic Los Angeles-based ensemble **Garretson & Gorodetsky** have released a new Folk Rock single "Beauty & Sadness."

With their new single, **Garretson & Gorodetsky** add a Modern Folk meets Fairport Convention vibe to their Indie/Underground sound. In contrast to the rough-around-the-edges, gritty tone of the band's recent singles, "Beauty & Sadness" with its frolicking flute, swinging melodica and three part vocal harmonies is a vibrant, mellifluous tune. Though the lyrics deal with sadness and depression, the music is upbeat and joyful.

Featuring singer Weba Garretson (The Eastside Sinfonietta,) guitarist Ralph Gorodetsky (Universal Congress Of,) multi-instrumentalist Vince Meghrouni (Mike Watt, The BellRays) on flute, bassist Laura Grissom (Tune To Me) and drummer Brian Christopherson (Saccharine Trust,) Garretson & Gorodetsky's new single "Beauty & Sadness" is the follow-up to "Marriage" which recently reached the Top Ten at numerous radio outlets worldwide. Like "Marriage," "Beauty & Sadness" was recorded at the renowned Hollywood studio Gold-Diggers Sound with producer/engineer Ed McEntee (Jon Spencer Blues Explosion, Yoko Ono) and producer/mixer Mark Wheaton (Nels Cline, Ann Magnuson.)

The group has been writing and performing new material over the past year, creating songs that contain angular elements of blues, folk and chamber pop. "Beauty & Sadness" is the third single that the group has released this year.

In describing the subject of the song, Weba says "*I was taking a songwriting class with Jill Sobule and we were working on the theme of "hometown"…I wrote 'Beauty & Sadness' about a friend growing up who was very beautiful but also very sad. It took her almost a lifetime to conquer her sadness, but she did it! It used to be that for women, looks could be a trap but now, I think superficial beauty can be a trap for anyone.*" Co-writer Ralph adds "what you soaked your ears in as a child reemerges from your fingers and throat as an adult. 60's infused folk/pop with tinges of classical, psychedelia and pensive melancholia."

ARTIST: Garretson & Gorodetsky (GARE-et-son and gore-oh-DET-skee.)

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BEAUTY & SADNESS (Weba Garretson & Ralph Gorodetsky)

Vince Meghrouni - flute, voice Weba Garretson - melodica, voice Ralph Gorodetsky - guitar, voice Laura Grissom - bass Brian Christopherson - drums

Mark Wheaton - Producer Ed McEntee - Engineer Brad Ritchie - Assistant Engineer Recorded at Gold Diggers soundstage, Los Angeles, September 9, 2023

Painting on Wood Art by Virginia Garretson