

Up-and-coming indie-rock quintet Naropa are looking to land large in 2017



After giving the messed-up year that was 2016 a good kick up the arse, classic indie-rock, London-based quintet Naropa are starting their second year on the scene with a bang; releasing their debut video for their single 'If Only While I'm Sleeping' and dropping their new single 'Forever Blind' in the early weeks of the year. As discordant a year as 2016 was, it didn't stop the group making big waves for themselves: the band were featured on Fred Perry Subculture's site, courtesy of This Feeling, and were given a thorough thumbs-up from BBC 6 Music, BBC Introducing and the blogosphere in general, with a variety of tastemakers and bloggers giving the talented bunch a firm seal of approval too.

2017 hopes to be an ever bigger and better year for the gang, whose informed, emotionally-cognizant indie rock should prove to be a winner with anyone owning open minds and ears. Their knack for going the extra mile is obvious in their upcoming video for 'If Only While I'm Sleeping' - a 360 degrees, virtual reality wonder that promises sonic exceptionalism and visual wonder in equal measure. Strap yourselves in, and try to forget Trump, Naropa have the soundtrack to a year that will change the world, and they hope to take the universe with them.

"Credible talent with impressive, galvanic sounds and increased energised riffs... [Naropa] show evident future potential"

- Gigslutz

BIOGRAPHY

London five piece Naropa formed in early 2016, instantly demonstrating a “grit that suggests the scrappiness of youth is best served bouncing around in dark, dingy basement clubs of ill repute” and garnering comparisons to The Cure, The Smiths and David Bowie. Despite having a name based on ancient Buddhist folklore, Naropa’s urgent and intense sound - driven by the brooding grooves of Rose (bass) and Frank (drums), the cacophonous energy of Sam and George’s guitar licks, and Josh’s poignant lyricism – is fast becoming known as a brand of intelligent indie carefully stretching the boundaries of contemporary guitar music. Having released their debut single “If Only While I’m Sleeping” in 2016 to much-deserved acclaim, amassing support from BBC Introducing and BBC Radio 6 Music, there’s a real, tangible buzz around Naropa, who are set for a big 2017, with a music video release swiftly followed by their new single, “Forever Blind”, in the early months of the year.

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