

MATTIAS LIES

Announcement: New Album: "Arvet" date of release: June 23rd + US-tour

Swedish singer-songwriter Mattias Lies is about to release his fourth album "Arvet", which is the Swedish word for heritage. The new album tells the story of a man who lost everything but gained even more in return. By the time of the release Mattias will be making his very first tour in the USA, North Carolina.

"Till låns" is a country-flavored song that emphasizes the value of being true to yourself and to value our time together. It's also a look at today's society where short-termed thinking is celebrated in front of a more sustainable long-term thinking. "Till låns" means that we can't take life for granted, it's only a loan. The single is also setting a tone for the rest of the album. "Arvet" deals with a bygone era and inherited behaviour patterns. At the same time it's also a declaration of love for a better life revealed beyond the shadows.



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The grandfather of Mattias fought the Russians in the Finnish winter war (1939-1940) and barely survived. In order to forget the horrors he turned to alcohol and gambling until he became a strict Christian. Mattias's Norwegian grandmother escaped the Nazis, as she was a member of the Norwegian resistance group. Mattias says;

"Physically they survived the trauma but the war left wounds. Wounds that my family has struggled to overcome ever since. Understanding the history of my ancestors made me see my own life in a bigger picture. As kids we're being taught to play various roles and my part was to support the others and to balance the energies of our unstable family."

But, pretending everything was ok became unbearable in the long run. This way of living was doomed and a paradigm was about to take place. Life was changing in an unpredictable way but everything wasn't getting worse. The dream to move ahead was a guiding star, while the love of his life and some friends gave support along the narrow way. Mattias continues:

"What I thought was a great loss was actually a big gain, a change into a brighter future. Life gave me a second chance and I took it. My perspective has changed since I claimed the right to own my past."

The new album "Arvet" reflects upon the history of Mattias Lies and in his poetic lyrics we feel comforted and energized. Role models like Tom Petty and Neil Young are still present in his music but now in a much more subtle way. The forthcoming song material is written in Swedish but influences can be heard from several musical worlds – folk pop mixed with rock music. Play-full music with the distinctive voice of Mattias brings a glowing energy that is contagious from the time the first note strikes.

"Arvet" will be released June 23rd and the first single "Till låns" is already available at Spotify, iTunes/ Apple Music, and Amazon etc. The music agency Dalapop is supporting the project and they're also releasing the album on their label *Valley Music*. The album is produced and recorded by Mattias with a helping hand from Magnus Bergman, who produced the earlier albums "Messages"(2008) and "Still believe in Lies"(2013). Magnus also made the mix and mastering in his studio *Little Big Pink*. Check out the homepage for a updated tour-schedule!

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Discography

- * 2006 "Mattias Lies" * 2008 - "Messages"
- * 2012 - "Still believe in Lies" * 2018 "Arvet"