

With the highly positive feedback from O'Neil's 2021 debut solo album "Truth or Dare," Johnny O'Neil and his band have successfully seized the momentum that not only carried them through a global pandemic, but leveraged the shift in global attitudes as an inspiration for many of the ten new recorded tracks featured on "Brand New Day," scheduled for release on June 21, 2023.

Band members Johnny O'Neil, John Funk, Benny Craig, and Joachim Baecker used the previous year wisely, spending months hunkered down in writing and rehearsal sessions, then returning—along with stalwart long-time engineer and producer Brian Bart-to Winterland Studios in Minneapolis, as well as the legendary Pachyderm Studios in Cannon Falls, MN. The resulting album, "Brand New Day," is the first to take advantage of all four members' creative input and musicianship, with the result being a much more dynamic and expansive palette of sonic landscapes and textures.

Besides the characteristic blistering guitar work that defines O'Neil's approach, several songs add strings, saxophone, organ, and piano to the mix, and with the help of relevant lyrics, create memorable, energy-infused, breathtaking musical statements. Even pre-release demo listenings have garnered a very enthusiastic response to the new music from Johnny O'Neil and his band. And now with the album's official release, the world will truly get to experience a "Brand New Day."

National Street Date: June 21, 2023 CD / LP / All Streaming Platforms

- 1. BRAND NEW DAY (J. 0'NEIL) 4:09
  - 2. TAKE ME DOWN (J. O'NEIL, J. FUNK) 4:28
- 3. MY MONA (J. D'NEIL, J. FUNK) 4:00
- 4. IT'S TOO HARD TO SAY GOODBYE (R. HOGAN) 4:06
  - 5. WHEN JANIE MOVED INTO TOWN (J. D'NEIL) 4:14
- 6. IN SEARCH OF (J. D'NEIL) 5:11
- 7. COMIN' DOWN LIKE A MOUNTAIN (J. D'NEIL) 4:35
  - 8. HANDS UP (J. D'NEIL, J. FUNK) 5:20
  - 9. DON'T BELIEVE A WORD (P. LYNOTT) 2:19
- 10. TELL ME YOUR STORY (J. D'NEIL) 7:50
  - Suggested tracks: 1, 3, 4, 6, 10. All songs FCC clean except 7.

# JOHNNY O'NEIL

LEAD & BACKING VOCALS: LEAD, SLIDE, RHYTHM & ACOUSTIC GUITARS

## JOHN FUNK

LEAD & RHYTHM GUITARS: BACKING VOCALS

#### BENNY CRAIG

BASS GUITAR; BACKING VOCALS

## JOACHIM BAECKER

DRUMS & PERCUSSION: BACKING VOCALS