

## shey baba announces cinematic debut album 'Requiem'

# Out May 10th on Virgin EMI Stunning video unveiled for 'Born Sick' & 'Vertigo' Watch Here

UK tour dates including The Great Escape, Brighton - May 10th



LA-born singer, songwriter and multi-instrumentalist **shey baba** has announced the details of his masterful debut album 'Requiem', which will be released May 10<sup>th</sup> on Virgin EMI.

As part of today's announcement, he has also unveiled the utterly captivating video for both 'Born Sick' & 'Vertigo', which come as half of a short film made up of four lead tracks from the album (part II to follow shortly). The 15 minute film was directed by David M. Helman (Vince Staples, James Vincent McMorrow) with cinematography from James Laxton who is Academy Award nominated for his incredible work on Moonlight and If Beale Street Could Talk. Watch the video <a href="here">here</a>.

In an age when music tends to feel rushed, shey baba is an anomaly. He takes his time. The musician spent two years in relative isolation patiently making what would become

his stunning debut album, before teaming up with producers Joey Waronker (Beck, REM) Rollo Armstrong (Dido, Faithless) and mixer Dan Grech (George Ezra and Liam Gallagher) to complete the record.

"I didn't start singing or writing songs until I was 20, but once I did, I quickly realised that music was the only way I could fully express the things I needed to." A series of difficult personal and family tribulations fueled the flames, and shey baba set out to create a labour of love and catharsis. Almost 24 months later, *Requiem* is complete, shey baba's voice stands out above all, setting the tone for the cinematic and emotive sound of the album.

Since releasing his first two tracks in late 2017 'Requiem' and early 2018 'Vertigo', he has managed to rack up over 1 million streams completely independently. He also served as direct support to Susanne Sundfør on her North American and UK/European tours, and joined Bob Moses across Europe in February. Last year Shey made waves with an electrifying performance at Bonnaroo Music & Arts Festival and then played his first headline show in LA as apart of KCRW's Summer Nights Concert Series at the end of June 2018.

With an incredible first body of work now complete, shey baba is ready to share something very special with the world. It seems shey himself may have summed it up best: "I feel like I'm blooming in the 11th hour", and what has bloomed is beautiful.

#### shey baba will play the following UK dates:

#### May

Fri 3rd Live At Leeds Festival

Fri 10th Brighton, Hope & Ruin @ The Great Escape (UTA Showcase)

#### **REQUIEM TRACK LIST:**

- 1. Born Sick
- 2. Vertigo
- 3. Requiem
- 4. I Want It All
- 5. Inside Out
- 6. Rescue
- 7. Long Way Down
- 8. Lighthead
- 9. Dreamers & Lovers
- 10. My Faith Is Running Out

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