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SiX By SiX (featuring lan Crichton, Nigel Glockler & Robert Berry) announce sophomore album 'Beyond Shadowland'; launch first single 'The Arms Of A Word'



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SiX By SiX, the progressive power trio comprising Ian Crichton, Nigel Glockler and Robert Berry, are pleased to announce the release of their sophomore album 'Beyond Shadowland' on InsideOutMusic on 26th April 2024. The band reconvened in Berry's own Soundtek Studios in the San Francisco Bay Area in 2023 to bend, shape, hammer and caress their diverse musical talents into 11 impressive new tracks. With this album, they continue to define and build upon their unique melodic space, welding guitar-driven rock, metal and prog into a unique and powerful sonic setting.

To coincide with the announcement of the new album, the band have released the first single 'The Arms Of A Word', a track which reflects on the division driven by a click-bait driven media. You can watch the brand new video here: [link]

Ian Crichton comments: "On the new record we kept our style but have written stylistically some quite different tunes. I gave Robert a lot of parts, sections, licks, middle 8's, etc. He added verses, bridges, etc... and vocals! He's a brilliant arranger. Of course, Nigel is a powerhouse. As always, he played great on this record."

Nigel Glockler adds: "Playing with Ian and Robert is always terrific. Making this album was a productive time. Ultimately, we narrowed things down to eleven tunes. Good ones too!. I left the sessions feeling very pleased. I think everybody's going to be impressed with the new album."

Robert Berry continues: "I've always believed that music has the power to bring people together. This record is a testament to that notion. As always, working with Ian and Nigel on an actual second album was a moving experience for me. Truly special."

'Beyond Shadowland' will be available as a Limited CD Digipak, Gatefold 180g Black 2LP (featuring 4 exclusive bonus tracks) & as a Digital Album. The artwork was once again created by Rob Fowler.

Pre-order now here: [link]

The full tracklisting is as follows:

1. Wren

- 2. The Arms of a Word
- 3. Can't Live Like This
 - 4. Obiliex
- 5. Only You Can Decide 6. Titans
 - Outside Looking In 8. Spectre
 9. Sympathise
 10. One Step
 - 11. The Mission

Vinyl-only bonus tracks:

- SiX By SiX Orchestra Medley
 The Arms of a Word (Instrumental)
 - 3. Honor Bridge
 - 4. The Mission (Instrumental)



Background:

Ian Crichton is best known as one of the founding members of Saga, alongside his brother Jim. Saga went on to sell roughly 10 million albums world-wide and continue to perform around the world. As the driving force behind SiX By SiX, Ian takes a cunning turn, in assembling another potent band but one that focuses on his guitar prowess. This time with established players, each with a celebrated past, refined skills, and unlimited potential.

Nigel Glockler began his career in 1980 as the drummer for the British band Krakatoa. In 1981 he found an opportunity with singer Toyah. By the end of the year, he joined metal legends, Saxon. Except for two brief absences, Nigel has been behind his massive drum kit as an integral part of Saxon ever since. His powerhouse drumming is the engine that drives SiX By SiX's songs forwards relentlessly.

Robert Berry first gained international attention with San Francisco-based Hush, releasing wellreceived recordings and then touring the USA. In the mid-1980s Berry's first solo album garnered positive reviews in the most influential trade publications and attracted the attention of several major labels. At the suggestion of one of those labels, Robert moved to the UK to work with guitarist Steve Howe (of Yes fame) along with drummer Nigel Glockler in an effort to revitalize GTR. When GTR stalled, Robert partnered with British rock legends Keith Emerson and Carl Palmer to form '3'. With Emerson and Palmer, Robert achieved a top ten charting single and toured the USA. Robert's melodic sensibilities complement Ian's extraordinary guitar and Nigel's signature drumming perfectly.

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