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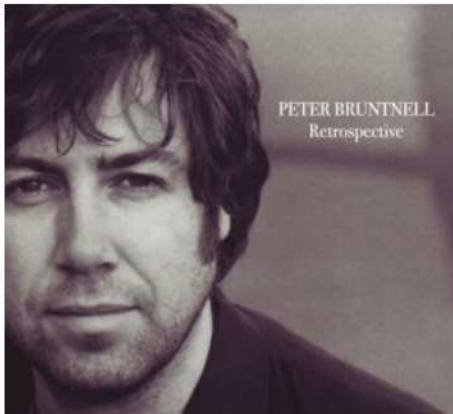
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## PETER BRUNTNELL – 'RETROSPECTIVE' (OUT NOW)

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Peter Bruntnell seems to have eluded many a music fan as a highly respected and influential songwriter and musician for a good few years. Here he pops onto a new audience's radar with a 'Retrospective' album for Loose Music.



The album is a solid representation of the artist's whole career to date. All the first 4 songs are corkers. 'I Want You' starts the party, a guitar driven tour de force, wicked guitar tones and insight into some ordinary moment expressed as 'There's nothing wrong with my telephone, it's just nobodies trying to call.' Sweet depression.

'Bent Out Of Shape' is an unpredictable melodic trip with satisfying resolve and pretty piano / tremolo guitar. 'Have You Seen That Girl Again' benefits from a grizzly fuzzed out guitar and a slowly oscillating synth noise giving the song a really contemporary edge. 'Reasons' is a slight step down the rock n roll ladder, as the first ballad of the album.

Probably the most highly profiled involvement in the album by an outside party is the association and collaboration with Rumer. Check that out below:

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As the album ebbs through its 17 songs, we are taken up and down through tempos and always with a solid, easy going secure feel throughout the album. The classic elements in most of the songs are the highly Americana influenced tones of slide guitar, tremolo guitars and solos. Acoustic guitars are in most songs.

Being that I am unsure of the various points of Bruntnell's career, it's hard to read this compilation as nostalgic of his career – moreover, I am treating it more as an introduction, being that he has been around



a while, but never in my world. I'm glad to have heard of the writer of some really sweet classic style rock n Americana tunes.

These sorts of artists are coming more and more into the forefront of my awareness these days. '12 K2' picks the pace back up again with an experimental keys + guitar jam which is excellent. The album ends with a few of my favourite tracks on the album featuring more contemporary synth sounds.

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<http://peterbruntnell.net/>

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Peter Bruntnell is one of my fav artists. I get to see him at The Grey Horse in Kingston and always enjoy the gig. Well done Pete you deserve recognition

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