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New Stone Roses LP in 2015? That's quick for them, says Shane Meadows

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Shane Meadows has joked that the release of a new Stone Roses album in 2015 would be quick for the band.

[The Stone Roses](#) released their last album *Second Coming* in 1994, five and a half years after their self-titled debut.



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Stone Roses frontman Ian Brown and filmmaker Shane Meadows

After splitting in 1996, the band reunited in 2011 and at the time [promised a "live resurrection"](#) with new material, though have only played old songs at their live shows and festival appearances so far.

During Meadows's documentary [The Stone Roses: Made of Stone](#), the director got visibly excited about the 'New Song' on the running order for a band rehearsal for their [Warrington Parr Hall comeback](#).

However, the band played no new songs during that performance, and no new material is heard on the film itself.

Asked if he heard any new music during the making of the film, Meadows told **Digital Spy**: "No, we didn't. The day I think we were going to get a chance to hear something, I think Ian [Brown] and John [Squire] were having a bit of a sort of get together and I went to show them a cut.

"I was thinking I might try to talk them into it - they've got a little four-track in the room and I was thinking, 'I bet there's something I want to hear!'"

He continued: "But then the cut of the film was a bit rubbish, so they didn't like the cut, so I never got to ask the question because I'd upset the equilibrium.

"It was quite open that they were writing songs but sadly, alas, I never heard anything."

Of bassist Mani's off-hand remark that [a new album would come out in 2015](#), Meadows said: "I pray it does - 2015 will be quick for them!

"That was faster than I was expecting. Anything new, one song, one chord would be enough. But a new album would be incredible.

"When you've got a band that almost were cut off before their prime in the way that the Roses were... one more record would be like Christmas for the rest of our lives."

Producer Mark Herbert said: "I kind of want to be a fan again, don't you? Wait till it's out and see."



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John Squire of the Stone Roses performs live

Asked if he would direct a video for a Stone Roses single, Meadows said: "I certainly would! I don't do them very often, I've done one for Richard Hawley and I've just recently done one for Jake Bugg.

"I make them every four or five years, the odd one for people that I like. Obviously I don't just like the Roses - I love the Roses. I'd probably be mortally offended if they didn't ring me, if I'm being honest!"

Of what extras would make the DVD or Blu-ray of *Made of Stone* a must-buy for fans who had already seen the movie, Meadows pointed to video footage from the band's famous Spike Island show in 1990.

"There's a tape that got found that nobody thought existed, and there's a hint of it in the film," Meadows said.

"There's no sound or anything in the film - you just see the band walk out on stage and a few of the fans.

"For the DVD if there's one killer feature, I'd say it's the 10, 15-minute montage of that legendary gig that is Spike Island with sound and picture."

Asked what his own favorite music documentary is, Meadows said: "Mine's between *The Devil and Daniel Johnston* and *Dig!*

"I loved *Anvil*. I've become a massive fan, but *The Devil and Daniel Johnston* was one of those films that moved me to the point where his artwork is hanging up in my house. *Dig!* just blew me away as well."

"I saw an amazing documentary about Charles Bradley [*Soul of America*] that both me and Mark watched this week.



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The Stone Roses: Made Of Stone

"It's incredible that when I started making films no-one would go to the cinema to watch a documentary. Now people are going and paying to watch a really wide variety of stuff."

When Meadows asked Herbert what his favorite music documentary is, Herbert replied: "The Steps reunion."

Asked about his favorite Stone Roses song, Meadows said: "For me it has to be 'Waterfall'. I remember the first posh girlfriend I had, she was a painter from college.

"I started at college just at a BTEC level, and she was the first girl I brought back to my house that wasn't a hairdresser. I put the vinyl on and I put 'Waterfall' on. Nothing rude happened!"

Herbert joked: "Just holding hands, talking about Francis Bacon."

Meadows continued: "I remember putting 'Waterfall' on, so not only musically is it my favorite song, it's probably got the sweetest memory attached to it."

Herbert said: "Shane edits right up to the release, the week before the release we were still in the edit.

"We did a week of press and then on the Friday we went to [Finsbury Park](#). Me and Shane put on a Reni hat and made our way into the crowd!

"They played 'Breaking Into Heaven' from the second album. And it blew my socks off. That for me, even though it's not part of the film - that second album's so underrated. It's fantastic."

***The Stone Roses: Made of Stone* is available to own on single-disc DVD, 2 Disc Collector's Blu-ray & DVD Edition, and Limited Edition Steelbook from October 21.**

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