BRAIDS In Kind // Amends



After having released their critically acclaimed debut *Native Speaker* in 2011, BRAIDS have returned with a new 12" single In *Kind // Amends*. Out June 11th on Arbutus Records, the 12" features two singles from their forthcoming sophomore album, as well as two exclusive b-sides.

After 18 months of touring in support of *Native Speaker*, along with the departure of a band member, the group secluded themselves in their Montreal studio for a year of writing and recording. While *Native Speaker* was written in an organic and live environment, the group sought to explore a more introspective and electronic approach to songwriting. Sonically, the songs from these sessions are delicate and tight, yet thoughtfully open up to the rich lushness reminiscent of their older material. Lyrically they are honest and vulnerable, demonstrating the group's emotional growth and maturity since their last record.

The first single "In Kind", hits the pinnacle of the group's songwriting as a four piece. Written live, it is a layered and emotionally raw saga. The second single, "Amends", is a strong contrast, and shows the group's exploration into electronic and dance music. Filling out the 12" are two exclusive tracks that explore the textured and atmospheric side of the band – the subtly percussive "Near Enough" and the mesmerizing "A Dawn in Me".

With In *Kind // Amends*, BRAIDS marks an exciting new partnership with Montreal-based label Arbutus Records. Arbutus will also be releasing BRAIDS' sophomore LP, due out Fall 2013.

"The quartet's bracing debut *Native Speaker* is almost Inception-like in its warping of reality, equally tactile and dissolute, cerebral and surreal and ultimately haunting for its refusal to answer questions the same way twice."

– Pitchfork

"It's heady music about the body and its imperatives. And it's every bit as mesmerizing and vertiginous as desire can be." – New York Times



TRACK LISTING

- 1 In Kind 2 Near Enough
- 3 Amends
- 4 A Dawn In Me

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

• Features two tracks from their forthcoming sophomore LP, out Fall 2013

• Their last record Native Speaker sold 10,000 units worldwide, and was Polaris Music Prize and Juno nominated

• Played over 150 shows in 2011 touring North America and Europe both on their own and in support of Baths, Toro Y Moi, and Wild Beasts

•Features Raphaelle Standell-Preston of Blue Hawaii

CATALOGUE NUMBER: ABT034 ARTIST: BRAIDS TITLE: In Kind // Amends GENRE: Electronic, Pop, Experimental RELEASE DATE: June 11th, 2013 AVAILABLE FORMATS: 12" TERRITORY: USA only BOX LOT: 50 VINYL IS NOT RETURNABLE



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