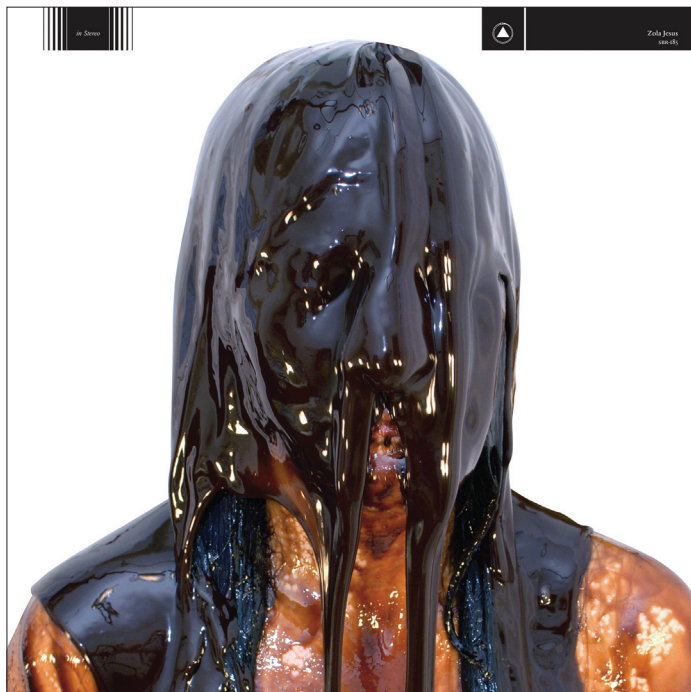


Zola Jesus

Stridulum



"Seven years ago, it was winter break at university in Madison, Wisconsin. There was a snowstorm that covered the city with a still white haze. Not a single person in the streets. I was sitting on my bed with a cheap keyboard and a computer, screaming into the void.

I barely remember writing the songs. It was a chaotic point in my life. I had no time to think about process or intent. It was a purge. I do remember taking a break from recording, bundling up, and walking through the barren streets while listening to the demos I'd made. The world, at once, felt clear.

After writing and producing what would become the *Stridulum* EP, I contacted a new friend, Alex DeGroot, to come over and record my vocals. He was studying audio engineering and had more knowledge and gear than I could dream of. He helped mix *Stridulum*, too, because all I had was a pair of headphones. (Since then, Alex has stuck by me, as a live bandmate, technical director, co-producer, mixer, and engineer.)

These songs were a huge leap of faith back then. It was my first time singing without layers of distortion, echo, and reverb. It was the first time I peeled back the layers to find out what was at the core. I'm still on that path today, seeing how far I can push myself into unknown places, whether through clarification or destruction. It's like *Stridulum*'s still here with me, underneath it all.

Still, it's surreal to think that this record, made by a 19-year-old girl sitting on a bed in a freezing old house in Madison, would make its way into strangers' ears seven years later."

-Nika Roza Danilova, June 2017

TRACK LISTING:

- 1 Night (3:37)
- 2 Trust Me (2:01)
- 3 I Can't Stand (4:10)
- 4 Stridulum (4:22)
- 5 Run Me Out (3:19)
- 6 Manifest Destiny (3:16)
- 7 Poor Animal (4:27)
- 8 Tower (3:58)
- 9 Sea Talk (5:03)
- 10 Lightsick (4:11)

KEY INFORMATION / SELLING POINTS:

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- Merrill, Wis., New York, Los Angeles, Chicago, Portland, Austin

Selling Points / Key Press:

- Collects the early **Zola Jesus** EPs *Stridulum* and *Valusia* in a single volume for the first time
- Confirmed for **Adult Swim Singles** program
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- Ice-colored vinyl limited to 500 units

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