

# AISHA BURNS

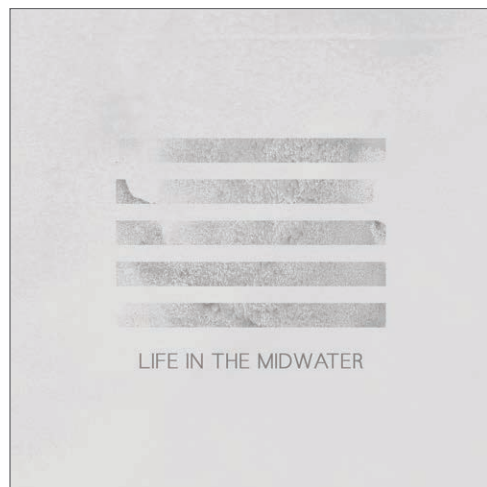
## LIFE IN THE MIDWATER

Often when you're in your mid-20's heavy realities start to settle in. Relationships that seemed like they'd last forever lose their spark, your aspirations and self-perception shift, you marvel at friends your age getting married and having babies, and you feel powerless and small, realizing that people you've known and loved for a lifetime can suddenly die. It's a serious psychological shakeup, made even more difficult if your frontal cortex hasn't fully matured yet. It's a beast, a mountain, a wall, or as in Kubrick's 2001 A Space Odyssey, a mysterious obelisk that pushes you to evolve...like it or not. For better or worse, parts of us die, new parts come to life, and if we're lucky we emerge smarter, stronger, and more resilient. It's no surprise that for ages we've felt a deep sense of connection with music, art, and films inspired by this metamorphosis. Aisha Burns' Life in the Midwater provides a snapshot of the rough stuff, but with a delicate sensitivity and wisdom beyond her years.

Burns' contributions as the violinist and occasional vocalist for the Austin band Balmorhea belie a nuanced songwriting prowess, and a dynamic and powerful voice. The album's title references a deep dark layer of the ocean that flows far below the surface, and just above what we call the deeps sea. Bioluminescent jellyfish often inhabit this layer of the ocean, emitting mysterious flashes of light despite the risk of exposing themselves to potential predators. Similarly Aisha's songs are dreamlike beacons in the inky abyss...

### ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

- + Aisha has toured extensively as violinist and vocalist for the Austin band Balmorhea in the US and Europe. She's also a member of Alex Dupree and The Trapdoor Band.
- + Aisha has already been asked to record a La Blogothèque session and has recorded a live performance for Austin's NPR station KUT.
- + Aisha will tour throughout 2013/2014 in support of Life in the Midwater.
- + Riot Act Media is handling a full national press campaign.
- + RIYL Sharon Van Etten, Tiny Vipers, Chelsea Wolfe, Sera Cahoone, Sarah Jaffe, Gillian Welch



### TRACK LIST

- 1 Sold
- 2 Midwater
- 3 Shelly
- 4 Gatekeeper
- 5 Discerpo
- 6 Requiem
- 7 Mine to Bear
- 8 Destroyer
- 9 Nothing

### PRESS QUOTES

"On her debut album, Life in the Midwater, there's a delicate intimacy to her approach."  
- NPR's World Cafe

"Haunting...dreamy...dripping with beautifully intricate arrangements."  
- BUST Magazine

"You don't hear voices like this every day."  
- American Songwriter

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