

## **PROUDLY PRESENTS**

# GRÅ · SNETT LJUS

Light slants through the window. What does it illuminate? Something pretty? Broken? Ugly? Or does it fill in the cracks? On April 21, 2023, the duo GRÅ drops their debut album *Snett Ijus ("Slanted light")* with poetic insights into the ordinary, alongside gossamer acoustic tunes — a treat for anyone who takes the time to really listen.



INFO

Artist: GRÅ

Title: Snett Ijus ("Slanted Light") Release date: April 21, 2023 Catalogue No: KAKADA006 Label: Kakafon Records

**Distribution:** Naxos Sweden Recommended Radio Tracks:

1. Fortsätt gå (2:59)

2. Om du lutar dig framåt (3:25)

3. Skärvor (3:57)

Press: www.kakafon.com/press

#### **RELEASE SHOW**

May 20 · Teater Aftonstjärnan, Gothenburg

### PROMOTION

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Back in the late winter of 2021, the duo GRÅ ("gray"), came together. The first seed was sown when Johanna Björneke Wirgård played a few tunes she had tucked away for Petra Haraldson and that blossomed into this duo. Several more songs evolved until there was enough material for a full-length album. In 2022, they began recording *Snett Ijus* at a snug countryside studio, Studio Glasfågel, helmed by Gustav Davidsson. Bassist and producer Daniel Wejdin helped capture GRÅ's tonal language and gracefully refined the sound.

**GRÅ** takes the "in-between" perspective, observing the borderland of our comfort zones, and when longing refuses to relax its hold on us. GRÅ is about hindsight and keeping calm, but also about the passing of time: the gray hairs that are here to stay. Gray at its most soothing, but also at its most dismal. *Snett ljus*, which happens to be **GRÅ**'s debut album, gives us epic love stories, but also recounts the ordinary: things that simply happened that might not have gone well. When your efforts aren't enough. About moving on and holding on.

**Johanna Björneke Wirgård** studied at the Academy of Music & Drama at the University of Gothenburg. After graduating, she has mainly worked as a music teacher, and composing music took the backseat to other aspects of life. *Snett ljus* is her first full-length album.

**Petra Haraldson** has toured with several different constellations, and she has released singles and two albums featuring her own material. In January 2023, a fellow musician Camilla Åström and Petra released the album *Unarmed*, with their settings of poems by Karin Boye in English.

#### **FEATURING**

 $\textbf{\textit{Johanna Bj\"orneke Wirg\^{a}rd} - \textit{Vocals, guitar, lyrics, music, arrangements}$ 

 $\textbf{Petra Haraldson} - \textbf{Vocals}, \ \textbf{piano}, \ \textbf{music} \ \textbf{(2)}, \ \textbf{arrangements}$ 

Daniel Wejdin - Double bass, guitar, arrangements

Gustav Davidsson - Trombone

Therese Borglin - Backing vocals (9)

Edit Björneke Wirgård – Backing vocals (5, 9)

Daniel Björneke Wirgård – Backing vocals (5)

Rut Björneke Wirgård – Whistling (5)

Marta Björneke Wirgård – Backing vocals (5)

Recording, mix, mastering: Gustav Davidsson,

Studio Glasfågeln, 2022/2023

Photos: Daniel Björneke Wirgård

Production: Petra Haraldson, Johanna Björneke Wirgård, Daniel Wejdin