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Stephen Malkmus Extends North American Tour in Support of *Traditional Techniques*, Out March 6th on Matador

Watch *La Blogothèque* Performance of New Song, [“Brainwashed”](#)



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Stephen Malkmus will release his new album, *Traditional Techniques*, on **March 6th via Matador**. Today, he extends his **North American tour** and announces shows throughout the southwest and west coast. In addition to a previously-announced run including Chicago’s **Thalia Hall**, New York’s **Webster Hall**, and more, Malkmus will appear at Los Angeles’ **El Rey Theatre**, San Francisco’s **The Fillmore**, plus others. He will be joined by a brand new live band of **Chris Funk** (pedal steel, keys), **Matt Sweeney** (guitar), **Brad Truax** (bass), and **Jake Morris** (drums), and at times by **Qais Essar** (rabab) and **Eric Zang** (kaval, udu, daf). Tickets for newly-announced dates go on sale **this Friday, February 21st at 10am local time**.

Additionally, Malkmus offers a further glimpse into *Traditional Techniques* via the ***La Blogothèque* performance of new song, “Brainwashed.”** Directed by **Thibaut Charlut** with sound direction by **Henri d’Armancourt**, the solo, acoustic performance was filmed in the midst of Parisian café **La Fontaine de Belleville**.

Watch Stephen Malkmus Perform “Brainwashed” on *La Blogothèque*

<https://youtu.be/6sTrx6l7ZE>

Traditional Techniques, Malkmus’ third solo LP without the Jicks (or **Pavement**), is new phase folk music for new phase folks, with Malkmus as attuned as ever to the rhythms of the ever-evolving lingual slipstream. An adventurous new album in an instantly familiar mode, *Traditional Techniques* creates a serendipitous trilogy with the loose fuzz of the Jicks’ *Sparkle Hard* (2018) and the solo bedroom experiments of *Groove Denied* (2019). These three very different full-lengths in three years highlight an ever-curious songwriter committed to finding untouched territory.

Traditional Techniques is centered around Malkmus’s 12-string acoustic guitar, and the product of Malkmus and Chris Funk (The Decemberists) with Matt Sweeney (Chavez, Superwolf) playing guitar throughout. Informed by a half-century of folk-rock reference points, Malkmus drew from a whole new musical palette--including a variety of Afghani instruments--to support an ache both quizzical and contemporary. Alongside gorgeous folk music, *Traditional Techniques* presents occasional bursts of flute-laced swagger, straight-up commune rock, and mind-bending fuzz.

Listen to “Xian Man”

<https://stephenmalkmus.ffm.to/xianman>

Pre-order *Traditional Techniques*

<https://stephenmalkmus.ffm.to/traditionaltechniques>

Stephen Malkmus Tour Dates (new dates in bold):

Tue. March 31 - Minneapolis, MN @ First Ave

Wed. April 1 - Milwaukee, WI @ Turner Hall

Thu. April 2 - Chicago, IL @ Thalia Hall

Fri. April 3 - Louisville, KY @ Headliners

Sat. April 4 - Nashville, TN @ Cannery Ballroom

Sun. April 5 - Atlanta, GA @ Terminal West

Tue. April 7 - Asheville, NC @ Orange Peel

Wed. April 8 - Carrboro, NC @ Cat’s Cradle

Thu. April 9 - Richmond, VA @ The National
Fri. April 10 - Washington, DC @ Black Cat
Sat. April 11 - Philadelphia, PA @ Union Transfer
Mon. April 13 - New York, NY @ Webster Hall
Wed. April 15 - Boston, MA @ Royale
Thu. April 16 - Montreal, QC @ L'Astral
Fri. April 17 - Toronto, ON @ Danforth Music Hall
Sat. April 18 - Cleveland, OH @ Beachland Ballroom
Sun. April 19 - Detroit, MI @ St. Andrew's Hall
Fri. June 26 - Vancouver, BC @ Imperial
Sat. June 27 - Seattle, WA @ The Showbox
Sun. June 28 - Portland, OR @ Wonder Ballroom
Tue. June 30 - San Francisco, CA @ The Fillmore
Wed. July 1 - Los Angeles, CA @ El Rey Theatre
Thu. July 2 - Phoenix, AZ @ The Crescent Ballroom
Fri. July 3 - Santa Fe, NM @ TBD
Tue. July 7 - Dallas, TX @ Granada Theater
Wed. July 8 - Oklahoma City, OK @ Tower Theatre
Thu. July 9 - Lawrence, KS @ Granada Theater
Sat. July 11 - Denver, CO @ Gothic Theatre

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*'Traditional Techniques' out March 6, 2020



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