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Smut Announces *Power Fantasy* EP Out 11/20 on Bayonet Records & Shares Lead Single “[Fan Age](#)”



Photo by Ezra Saulnier

“the kind of hard-edged shoegaze that harkens back to the golden days of Swervedriver, only with the compact pop structures and sensibilities of Veruca Salt added to the equation”

- *The A.V. Club*

Smut announces their new EP, ***Power Fantasy***, out **November 20th on Bayonet Records**, and shares an official lyric video for the explosive lead single “[Fan Age](#).” The Chicago-based band, originally hailing from Cincinatti, is comprised of **Bell Cenower, Andrew Min, Sam Ruschman**, and **Tay Roebuck**.

Uniting crunchy guitar tones and swirling synths, Smut embraces a liminality and experimentation that pushes the boundaries of pop music. They blend melody and

moodiness to yield to a droney and percussive sound, taking influence from shoegaze, 90s hip hop, and trip-hop. Smut have conquered national tours with acts like Nothing, Swirlies, and Bully. Previously working as an actor, Roebuck's performance is uninhibited, reflective of the stage presence of Blur's Damon Albarn. Roebuck's caustically sung, meditations on grief, guilt, and growing into oneself hover over a wall of sound, making us nostalgic for shoegaze bands past.

On *Power Fantasy* we find Smut in a state of transition. "Fan Age" begins in a dreamscape of guitar chords as Roebuck sings of climbing the backs of giants. About a minute and a half in, Smut has their feet firmly planted as "Fan Age" transforms into an infectious, self-assured anthem - "*I don't feel bad, I hold no guilt.*" *Power Fantasy* demonstrates a new direction for the indie outfit, one characterized by continued self-reflection and sonic renewal.

To celebrate the release of *Power Fantasy*, Smut will livestream a performance via **Baby's All Right's BabyTV on November 20th**. Tickets are available [here](#).

[Watch "Fan Age" Lyric Video](#)

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***Power Fantasy* EP Tracklist**

1. Fan Age
2. Power Fantasy
3. Perfect Dark

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