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**LISTEN TO BUCK MEEK'S NEW SINGLE, "[PAREIDOLIA](#)"**

**NEW ALBUM, *TWO SAVIORS*, OUT JANUARY 15TH ON  
KEELED SCALES**



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**Big Thief's Buck Meek** presents a new single, "**Pareidolia**," from his forthcoming album, ***Two Saviors***, out **January 15th on Keeled Scales**. It follows the uplifting and sprightly "**Second Sight**." "Pareidolia," the first word that appears on *Two Saviors*, is a word about recognizing shapes where none were intended to exist - like searching for images in the clouds. It serves as an apt guide through these new songs of Buck's, which are themselves uncommon and beautiful, and which invite a deep, cloud-gaze state of attention. "We have all painted forms onto the clouds; a phoenix, a fire truck, snakes, Elvis, and so on," says Buck. "We saw these visions as children, we encourage children to search for them, and we can't help but continue to project meaning and symbolism onto the sky, to see mountains in moving water, faces in knots in wood, hidden

messages in music, and god in toast. Pareidolia is a phenomenon which threads mundane experiences such as staring at the ceiling in the morning with the seeds of mythology and spirituality. The physical world is inherently limited, but our minds take every possible opportunity to transcend."

### [Listen to Buck Meek's "Pareidolia"](#)

While his last album, 2018's ***Buck Meek***, is a yarn of blue-collar fairy tales and character driven narratives, *Two Saviors* emerges as a cathartic, naked confession of heartbreak, resiliency, and enchantment. It was recorded by producer and engineer **Andrew Sarlo** (who produced the first four Big Thief LPs), under his specific conditions: they make the album in New Orleans, during the hottest part of the year, spend no more than seven days tracking, all live, on an 8-track tape machine with only dynamic microphones, and no headphones, not allowing the players to hear back any takes until the final day. The band, featuring **Adam Brisbin** (guitar), **Mat Davidson** (bass, pedal steel, fiddle), **Austin Vaughn** (drums), and Buck's brother **Dylan Meek** (piano, organ), set up in a Victorian house one block from the Mississippi River and worked within these limitations, encouraging every recording to be imbued with the living, intuitive, and human energy of a first take.

The rituals that led towards these songs are ones of pain and healing; the power felt through the songs lies in the fact that the pain is never plainly stated, never a note of anguish or resentment, no complaints about the feeling of pain. Pain is not weaponized on this record, but cared for, nurtured, and the songs become meditations on the reality of pain, conducted without resistance. The songs on *Two Saviors* shine with this wisdom and are not ostentatious about it. This is true to Buck's nature. He is recording life, consciously and unconsciously on a broad spectrum of planes. A new album from him is a gift, a chance to wonder about ways we could be seeing, recording.

### [Listen to Buck Meek's "Second Sight"](#)

### [Listen to "Roll Back Your Clocks"](#)

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### **Praise for Buck Meek**

"That carefree, mischievous sound...befit[s] Meek's great gift — the easy exuberance that underlies his every note." - *NPR Music*

“At its core, *Buck Meek* feels like a country record, and not just because Meek’s native Texan twang stands at the forefront of every tune. The album has a mischievous spirit like the celebrated self-titled LP from cult-hit country star Willis Alan Ramsey.”

- *Pitchfork*

“Meek’s work outside of Big Thief allows him to be a little looser and more rambling. He sounds like a highway wanderer well beyond his years on ‘Second Sight.’”

- *Stereogum*

“Maybe it’s because of the steady vocal harmonies or Meek’s singular singing style, but ‘Second Sight’ sounds like the creative joy of Andrew Bird mixed with the acoustic charm of Paul Baribeau.” - *Consequence of Sound*



*Two Saviors* Cover Artwork

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