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**Mitski Unveils New Single/Video, “Heat Lightning”**

**New Album, *Laurel Hell*, Out February 4th on Dead Oceans**

**North American Tour Sold Out**



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"There's certainly something to be said about Mitski's growth as both an artist and a global superstar, and how the arrival of new music from her signals a huge moment." - MTV

Last month, **Mitski** announced **Laurel Hell**, one of 2022's most anticipated releases, out **February 4th via Dead Oceans**, in advance of her entirely sold out North American tour. Today, she unveils an arresting new single, "**Heat Lightning**," with an animated lyric video created by **Alex Moy**. For *Laurel Hell*, Mitski "*needed songs that could help me forgive both others and myself...I needed to create this space mostly for myself where I sat in that gray area.*" As with all the songs on *Laurel Hell*, "Heat Lightning" embodies that space. Initially written on piano before blossoming into a sensual R&B direction halfway through, it's a hypnotic, melancholy ode to insomnia and the "*sleeping eyelid of the sky.*" Throughout, Mitski admits, "*And there's nothing I can do // Not much I can change // Can I give it up to you // Would that be okay? // There's nothing I can do // Not much I can change // I give it up to you // I surrender.*"

[Watch Mitski's Video for "Heat Lightning"](#)

Mitski wrote many of the songs comprising *Laurel Hell* during or before 2018, and the album was finished being mixed in May 2021. It is the longest span of time Mitski has ever spent on a record, and a process that concluded amid a radically changed world. Once again produced by longtime collaborator **Patrick Hyland**, the album as a whole evolved "*to be more uptempo and dance-y. I needed to create something that was also a pep talk.*" As championed in the album's first two singles "**The Only Heartbreaker**" and "**Working for the Knife**," the tension that emerges between her refined but plaintive lyrics and the effervescent 1980s sound delivers nuanced profundity on a current of contagious dance beats.

*Laurel Hell* is a soundtrack for transformation, a map to the place where vulnerability and resilience, sorrow and delight, error and transcendence can all sit within our humanity, can all be seen as worthy of acknowledgment, and ultimately, love. It cements Mitski's reputation as an artist who possesses the power of turning our most savage and alienated experiences into the very elixir that cures them. "*I wrote what I needed to hear. As I've always done.*"

[Watch the Video for "The Only Heartbreaker"](#)

[Watch the Video for "Working for the Knife"](#)

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**Mitski Tour Dates:**

Thu. Feb. 17, 2022 - Asheville, NC @ The Orange Peel - SOLD OUT  
Fri. Feb. 18, 2022 - Raleigh, NC @ The Ritz - SOLD OUT  
Sat. Feb. 19, 2022 - Atlanta, GA @ The Eastern - SOLD OUT  
Mon. Feb. 21, 2022 - Birmingham, AL @ Iron City - SOLD OUT

Tue. Feb. 22, 2022 - New Orleans, LA @ Civic Theatre - SOLD OUT  
Thu. Feb. 24, 2022 - Houston, TX @ The Lawn at White Oak Music Hall - SOLD OUT  
Fri. Feb. 25, 2022 - Dallas, TX @ The Factory in Deep Ellum - SOLD OUT  
Sat. Feb. 26, 2022 - Austin, TX @ ACL Live at the Moody Theater - SOLD OUT  
Mon. Feb. 28, 2022 - Phoenix, AZ @ The Van Buren - SOLD OUT  
Wed. March 2, 2022 - Los Angeles, CA @ Shrine Exposition Hall - SOLD OUT  
Thu. March 3, 2022 - Los Angeles, CA @ Shrine Exposition Hall - SOLD OUT  
Fri. March 4, 2022 - Oakland, CA @ Fox Theater - SOLD OUT  
Sat. March 5, 2022 - Oakland, CA @ Fox Theater - SOLD OUT  
Mon. March 7, 2022 - Portland, OR @ Arlene Schnitzer Concert Hall - SOLD OUT  
Wed. March 9, 2022 - Seattle, WA @ Moore Theatre - SOLD OUT  
Thu. March 10, 2022 - Seattle, WA @ Moore Theatre - SOLD OUT  
Sat. March 12, 2022 - Denver, CO @ Mission Ballroom - SOLD OUT  
Mon. March 14, 2022 - St. Paul, MN @ Palace Theatre - SOLD OUT  
Tue. March 15, 2022 - Milwaukee, WI @ Miller High Life Theatre - SOLD OUT  
Thu. March 17, 2022 - Detroit, MI @ Masonic Temple Theatre - SOLD OUT  
Fri. March 18, 2022 - Toronto, ON @ Massey Hall - SOLD OUT  
Sat. March 19, 2022 - Montreal, QC @ St-Jean-Baptiste Church - SOLD OUT  
Mon. March 21, 2022 - Boston, MA @ Roadrunner - SOLD OUT  
Tue. March 22, 2022 - Boston, MA @ Roadrunner - SOLD OUT  
Thu. March 24, 2022 - New York, NY @ Radio City Music Hall - SOLD OUT  
Fri. March 25, 2022 - Philadelphia, PA @ Franklin Music Hall - SOLD OUT  
Sat. March 26, 2022 - Washington, DC @ The Anthem - SOLD OUT  
Sun. March 27, 2022 - Washington, DC @ The Anthem - SOLD OUT  
Tue. March 29, 2022 - Pittsburgh, PA @ Stage AE - SOLD OUT  
Wed. March 30, 2022 - Louisville, KY @ Old Forester's Paristown Hall - SOLD OUT  
Thu. March 31, 2022 - Nashville, TN @ Ryman Auditorium - SOLD OUT  
Thu. April 21, 2022 - Bristol, UK @ Marble Factory - SOLD OUT  
Fri. April 22, 2022 - Leeds, UK @ University Union Refectory - SOLD OUT  
Sat. April 23, 2022 - Glasgow, UK @ Barrowland Ballroom - SOLD OUT  
Mon. April 25, 2022 - Dublin, IE @ Vicar Street - SOLD OUT  
Tue. April 26, 2022 - Manchester, UK @ Manchester Academy - SOLD OUT  
Thu. April 28, 2022 - London, UK @ The Roundhouse - SOLD OUT  
Fri. April 29, 2022 - London, UK @ O2 Academy Brixton - SOLD OUT  
Sat. April 30, 2022 - Brussels, BE @ Les Nuits Botanique Festival - SOLD OUT  
Mon. May 2, 2022 - Tourcoing, FR @ Le Grand Mix - SOLD OUT  
Tue. May 3, 2022 - Paris, FR @ L'Olympia  
Wed. May 4, 2022 - Amsterdam, NL @ Paradiso - SOLD OUT  
Fri. May 6, 2022 - Zurich, CH @ Kaufleuten  
Sat. May 7, 2022 - Lausanne, CH @ Les Docks SOLD OUT  
Mon. May 9, 2022 - Berlin, DE @ Metropol - SOLD OUT  
Tue. May 10, 2022 - Copenhagen, DK @ Vega - SOLD OUT

Wed. May 11, 2022 - Stockholm, SE @ Fällan SOLD OUT  
Thu. May 12, 2022 - Oslo, NO @ Sentrum Scene SOLD OUT  
Sat. May 14, 2022 - Hamburg, DE @ Fabrik - SOLD OUT  
Sun. May 15, 2022 - Cologne, DE @ Carlswerk Victoria - SOLD OUT  
Tue. May 17, 2022 - Vienna, AT @ WUK - SOLD OUT  
Wed. May 18, 2022 - Prague, CZ @ Archa Theatre - SOLD OUT  
Thu. May 19, 2022 - Munich, DE @ Strom - SOLD OUT  
Sat. July 2, 2022 - Stockholm, SE @ Lollapalooza Stockholm  
Fri. Sep 16 - 18, 2022: Los Angeles, CA @ Primavera Sound LA

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