## Jake Xerxes Fussell Unveils New Track, "Rolling Mills Are Burning Down" New Album, Good and Green Again, Out 1/21 on Paradise of Bachelors



(Photo by Tom Rankin)

"[Good and Green Again] is his most thoughtful, his most eloquent, and his most poignant explication of this idea... [that] for him a song is no older than the last time it was sung." – Uncut (9/10, "Album of the Month")

"Fussell's the sort of folk singer who makes an art of picking the richest songs, honoring their cultural and historical contexts, and making something new and idiosyncratic to of them. He has the charm of the best bar raconteur, a storyteller who can sell fantastical yarns in a companionable way." – MOJO (4 stars)

"['Love Farewell' is] a heartbreaking song of love during war time that Fussell reinterprets and refreshes masterfully, his tender vocals and acoustic guitar turning the minimal source material into something rich and beautiful." - NPR Music

"A gentle combination of finger-picked acoustic guitar and bass, 'Breast Of Glass' is punctuated by echoing horns, courtesy of Anna Jacobson. Meanwhile, 'Frolic' is a rootsy, twanging tune held together by sturdy foot stomps." - *Stereogum* 

Today, Jake Xerxes Fussell unveils new track, "Rolling Mills Are Burning Down," the fourth and final single off of his forthcoming album, *Good and Green Again*, out January 21st on Paradise of Bachelors. "Rolling Mills Are Burning Down," with its distant keening strings and capacious sense of space, is simultaneously gorgeous and melancholy, with Fussell singing: "And them rolling mills are burning down // down to the ground // and they'll never build them back anymore." The track features piano by James Elkington, who also produced the record.

## Listen to Jake Xerxes Fussell's "Rolling Mills Are Burning Down"

Good and Green Again is Fussell's most conceptually focused and breathtakingly rendered album to date. As evident in previously released singles "Love Farewell," "Breast of Glass," and "Frolic," Fussell is one of his generation's preeminent interpreters of traditional (and not so traditional) "folk" songs, a practice which he approaches with a refreshingly unfussy lack of nostalgia and preciousness. By recontextualizing ancient vernacular songs and sources of the American South, he allows them to breathe and speak for themselves and for himself; he alternately inhabits them and allows them to inhabit him. In all his work, Fussell humanizes his material with his own profound curatorial and interpretive gifts, unmooring stories and melodies from their specific eras and origins and setting them adrift in our own waterways.

For *Good and Green Again*, Elkington and Fussell enlisted engineer **Jason Richmond** and a group of formidable players hailing from Durham, North Carolina (where Fussell lives) and elsewhere, including regular bandmembers **Casey Toll** (Mt. Moriah, Nathan Bowles) on upright bass, **Libby Rodenbough** (Mipso) on strings, and **Nathan Golub** on pedal steel. They were joined by welcome newcomers **Joe Westerlund** (Megafaun, Califone) on drums, **Joseph Decosimo** on fiddle, **Anna Jacobson** on brass, and **Bonnie "Prince" Billy**, who contributes additional vocals.

**Listen to "Love Farewell"** 

**Listen to "Breast of Glass"** 

Listen to "Frolic"

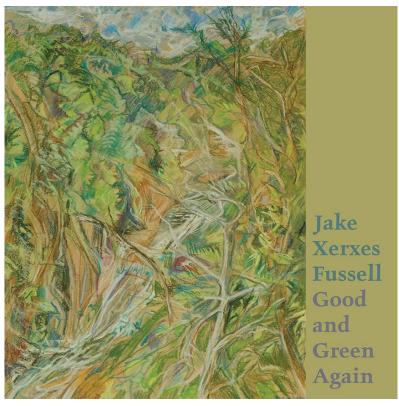
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## **Jake Xerxes Fussell Tour Dates**

Fri. Jan. 21 - Chapel Hill, NC @ The Nightlight ^ Sat. Jan. 22 - Richmond, VA @ The Camel Sun. Jan. 23 - Washington, DC @ Pie Shop Tue. Jan. 25 - Philadelphia, PA @ PhilaMOCA # Wed. Jan. 26 - Brooklyn, NY @ The Knitting Factory Thu. Jan. 27 - Boston, MA @ Club Passim Fri. Jan 28 - Keene, NH @ Nova Arts Sat. Jan. 29 - Saratoga Springs, NY @ Caffe Lena Thu. Feb. 17 - Los Angeles, CA @ Gold Diggers \* Sat. Feb 19 - Santa Monica, CA @ McCabe's Guitar Shop \* Tue. Feb 22 - Portland, OR @ The Old Church \* Wed. Feb 23 - Seattle, WA @ Fremont Abbey \* Sun. May 1 - Kilkenny, IE @ Kilkenny Roots Mon. May 2 - Kilkenny, IE @ Kilkenny Roots Tue. May 3 - Dublin, IE @ Bello Bar Wed. May 4 - Belfast, UK @ Cathedral Quarter Arts Festival Fri. May 6 - Manchester, UK @ Gulliver's Sat. May 7 - London, UK @ Oslo Sun. May 8 - Glasgow, UK @ Glad Cafe Mon. May 9 - York, UK @ Fulford Arms Wed. May 11 - Ultrecht, NL @ Tivoli (Club Nine) Fri. May 13 - Nijmegen, NL @ Merleyn Sat. May 14 - Cologne, DE @ King Georg Mon. May 16 - Hamburg, DE @ Aalhaus Tue. May 17 - Amsterdam, NL @ Paradiso

^ w/ special guest Rosali# w/ special guest Mike Polizze\* w/ special guest Tom Brosseau

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