

# The TRAVELLING BAND

## **New Album: 'The Big Defreeze' out August 25th - UK tour announced**

Manchester five-piece The Travelling Band, famed for their wonderful live prowess and feel-good epic-folk, have announced the upcoming release *The Big Defreeze*. The album is hugely anticipated following a three-year gap since their last long-player, *Screaming is Something*, received both critic and fan adulation.

Despite a long gap between album two and three, The Travelling Band have experienced anything but a hiatus, instead taking the time to hone and enhance their already much loved trademark sound. The Travelling Band departed from their last tour in 2011 – which saw them enthral the United States at SXSW – and have since patiently crafted their own personal recording studio, forged a record label and also revolutionised their horizons through remix collaborations with mix legend and Grammy award-winner Chris Lord-Alge. This break between releases has seen The Travelling Band become musical artisans, hugely benefiting *The Big Defreeze* as a result.

Produced by Iestyn Polson (Patti Smith, David Bowie) at the ethereally iconic Church Studios, *The Big Defreeze* oozes with creative freedom and massive landscapes, embodying The Travelling Band's album gap. Standout track *Passing Ships* is a marauding beauty that hops, skips and jumps amid a backdrop of pop perfection, deeply breathing in a glorious, vast headspace. Polson has expertly captured The Travelling Band's eminent live act into a long-player that is second-for-second as equally explosive, giddy and wonderful as a Travelling Band gig.

The Travelling Band's *The Big Defreeze* is personified by blissfully clean compositions that still harbour a rough and determined bite. Part E-Street Band and Faces submerged in 21<sup>st</sup> century gleam and shine, *The Big Defreeze* will delight and mesmerize deeply-rooted Travelling Band fanatics and newcomers alike; reminiscent of an introduction to a person, whom you could have sworn you met before, whom you fall in love instantly.

The Travelling Bands' third album *The Big Defreeze* will be released on Sideways Saloon/Republic of Music on August 25<sup>th</sup> on limited edition yellow vinyl, 2 disc deluxe CD and digital formats.

The band will also set off in August for the following festival dates with a UK tour in October to follow:

## **AUG**

8 – CROPREDY FESTIVAL, NR. BANBURY

16 – UNDRESSED FESTIVAL, HALLE ST. PETERS, MANCHESTER

23 – GREEN BELT FESTIVAL, NORTHAMPTONSHIRE

30 – OFF THE TRACKS FESTIVAL, DERBYSHIRE

## **SEPT**

7 – SC4M FESTIVAL, WINCHESTER

12 – THE INSTITUTE, KELVEDON, ESSEX

14 – SHREWSBURY FIELDS FESTIVAL

## **OCT**

2 KENDAL, THE BREWERY

3 LEEDS, BRUDENELL

8 LIVERPOOL, THE KAZIMIER

9 EDINBURGH, VODOO ROOMS

10 GLASGOW, BROADCAST

11 LETHAM, LETHAM HALL

22 LONDON, THE LEXINGTON

24 OXFORD, ARTS BAR (BULLINGDON ARMS)

25 BRISTOL, THE LOUISIANA

28 BRIGHTON, GREEN DOOR STORE

## **NOV**

28 HURST GREEN, VILLAGE HALL

*"The sounds they generate took me back to my musical roots... Marvellous music to savour and enjoy"* – **Michael Eavis, Glastonbury Festival**

*"They produce an inventive brand of guitar-laden cosmic aesthetic and sprinkles of trademark Manchester's musical lineage"* – **Clash Magazine**

*"If you consider the term 'Mancunian Americana' to be an oxymoron... try listening to The Travelling Band. Brilliant"* - **Marc Riley, BBC 6Music**

*"Their harmonies are tight, guitar picking deft and tunes melodic"* – **Q Magazine**

*"It all here, passionate yet delicate vocals, deep forceful drumming, jangly guitar, fluctuating stings, everything you could ask for from a song that oozes summer"* - **The 405**

*"Sparkling harmonies and bright chirpy guitars pepper this album full of bright-eyed optimism"* - **BBC 6Music**

*"The Travelling Band blur the folk/rock boundaries, delicately intertwining sensitive lyrics with accomplished folk vocals and jangly instrumental accompaniments to form a tapestry of glittering whimsy"* **The Sun**

The Travelling Band are :

Jo Dudderidge (Vocals, Guitars, Organ, Keys )

Adam Gorman (Vocals, Guitars, Harmonica, Keys)

Steve Mullen (Lead Guitar, Vocals)

Chris Spencer (Bass)

Nick Vaal (Drums)

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