



AARON LEE TASJAN TO RELEASE *SILVER TEARS* OCTOBER 28th, 2016

NPR MUSIC PREMIERES THE ALBUM AS A FIRST LISTEN TODAY

ANNOUNCES DAY LONG “12-BAR BLUES” PERFORMANCES ON RELEASE DATE

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Aaron Lee Tasjan is set to release *Silver Tears* October 28th via New West Records. **NPR Music** premiered the 12-song set today as a “First Listen” which can be heard [Here](#). They state, “Here’s a list of shiny things Aaron Lee Tasjan’s *Silver Tears* brings to mind: The snowball rolling down a mountain in that movie theme song ‘The Windmills of Your Mind.’ The ice in Harry Nilsson’s glass in the middle of a bender with John Lennon. Bob Dylan’s mirror shades. The beat-up body of Bukka White’s National guitar. Iggy Pop in his silver pants. The light through the Reseda mall skylights where Tom Petty rides an escalator, singing ‘Free Fallin.’ The key to the glove-box heart Michael Stipe sings about in R.E.M.’s ‘Star Me Kitten.’ The Academy Awards show spotlight under which Elliott Smith awkwardly stands. Holiday lights plugged into the wall, illuminating half the dive-bar stages in Nashville. Tasjan’s second solo album and New West Records debut brings to mind all of these scenes, sounds and characters without dwelling too heavily on any particular source.” *Silver Tears* was also named a “Must-Hear” album in **Rolling Stone Country’s** Fall Preview stating, “He’s a sharp-tongued songwriter, R-rated storyteller, major shredder and unapologetic stoner, rolling his influences into a 12-song tracklist that recalls everything from the wry folk of fellow East Nashville misfit Todd Snider to the baked-to-bejeezus pop opuses of Brian Wilson.”

In celebration of the album release on October 28th, Aaron Lee Tasjan has announced a day-long “12-Bar Blues” event where he, along with fans and friends in tow, will board a magic bus (that’s code for “party bus”) to play 12 different dive bars, restaurants, and the occasional tourist trap in Nashville over the entire day. A veritable traveling circus of weirdness that will be live-streamed via Facebook and Periscope, the day-long performance will end up at Nashville’s live music venue 3rd & Lindsley for his record release performance later that evening. A select few seats on the magic bus, as well as a pre-order for the *Silver Tears* CD and LP, are now available for purchase via [Pledge](#) and Aaron Lee Tasjan’s website [Here](#). Aaron Lee Tasjan has also announced a Fall support tour with Lydia Loveless to follow headlining performances in Louisville, St. Louis, Columbus, and Indianapolis. Please see below for all dates.

Tasjan was awarded a scholarship to the esteemed Berklee College of Music but fled to Brooklyn to set out on what quickly became a wild path. Whether playing guitar in the late incarnation of glam-rock innovators the New York Dolls, the gender-bending, envelope-pushing Semi Precious Weapons, the Neil Young-signed Everest, British roots rock band Alberta Cross, Southern rock stalwarts Drivin’ N’ Cryin’ or even as frontman of the

Heartbreakers-meets-Replacements rockers Madison Square Gardeners, bubbling under the surface was a songwriter using each experience as a stepping stone to inform his own unique songwriting. *Silver Tears* careens from pot paeans to brooding, cinematic observations to laid back '70s country-rock and introspective folk.

Silver Tears was produced by Eli Thomson (Father John Misty's band) and features a band comprised of Thomson, David Vandervelde, Frank Lenz (Starflyer 59, Richard Swift), Dan Bailey (First Aid Kit), Max Hart (Guster) and Charlie Peterson. While calling East Nashville home, Tasjan recorded the entirety of *Silver Tears* in Southern California at Elliott Smith's former studio New Monkey in Van Nuys, as well as Sonikwire Studios in Irvine, and Club Casino in Huntington Beach. "Romantically, I had the idea of Tom Petty in the studio, jamming, trying to capture different feels and see where the day was," Tasjan reveals. "I wanted it to be live, to have that intensity that draws people in."

Aaron Lee Tasjan *Silver Tears* Track Listing:

1. Hard Life
2. Little Movies
3. Memphis
4. Dime
5. Ready To Die
6. Refugee Blues
7. Till The Town Goes Dark
8. On Your Side
9. Success
10. Out Of My Mind
11. 12 Bar Blues
12. Where The Road Begins and Ends

Aaron Lee Tasjan On Tour:

October 28 – Nashville, TN "12-Bar Blues" Day Long Performance and Concert at 3rd & Lindsley

October 29 – Louisville, KY @ Zanzabar

October 30 – St. Louis, MO @ Off Broadway

November 1 – Columbus, OH @ Rumba Cafe

November 2 – Indianapolis, IN @ HI-FI

November 4 – Pontiac, MI @ The Pike Room^

November 5 – Toronto, ON @ Adelaide Hall^

November 6 – Ithaca, NY @ The Dock^

November 7 – South Burlington, VT @ Higher Ground^

November 10 – Allston, MA @ Great Scott^

November 11 – Philadelphia, PA @ Milkboy^

November 12 – Charlottesville, VA @ The Southern^

November 13 – Washington, DC @ Rock & Roll Hotel^

November 15 – Pittsburgh, PA @ Club Cafe^
November 16 – New York, NY @ Bowery Ballroom^
November 17 – York, PA @ Central Market House
November 19 – Chicago, IL @ The Metro^
November 20 – Newport, KY @ Southgate House Revival^
February 19-26 – Tampa, FL @ Cayamo Cruise

^appearing with Lydia Loveless

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