

Benji Tranter

After a hiatus of over five years, Welsh songwriter and multi-instrumentalist Benji Tranter returns with debut solo album *Songs to Make You Happy*, coming out 20th January on Pear O' Legs Records.

With a lo-fi, home-recorded approach, Benji builds the album around stark acoustic guitars and his idiosyncratic voice, with embellishments from a menagerie of instruments, played by Benji and a collection of friends. What emerges is a charming, chaotic collection of vignettes; diary entries, polaroid snapshots, and notebook poems, with musical nods to influences like Elliott Smith, Conor Oberst and Nick Drake.

Growing up on the Welsh Marches, Benji has released two EPs, while more recently focusing his efforts toward his power-pop trio Ski Lift, who have been featured across BBC Radio 1, 6 Music, BBC Wales and Radio X. He is also a member of psych-folk group The All Night Chemist. Live performances include Glastonbury, Edinburgh Fringe, supporting Tom Robinson, and a brief tour of launderettes.

The album's first two singles 'Satellite' and 'To Your Eyes' are out now, as heard on BBC 6 Music, Amazing Radio, and across BBC Introducing local stations including London, Wales and Hereford & Worcester.

Press for Satellite:

"Enchanting" - Marina Florence, Fresh on the Net

"Beautifully crafted" - Adam Walton, BBC Wales

Press for To Your Eyes:

"Wonderful. Lovelorn, worn around the edges, but quietly defiant, it just sounds absolutely lovely. Thank you, Benji, for bringing such a moment to the airwaves" - Adam Walton, BBC Wales

"Such a beauty of a song that one" - Lizzie Crow, BBC H&W

"A beautiful song" - Clair Hermet, BBC London

"Absolutely breathtaking" Shell Zenner, Amazing Radio

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