

**NEW ALBUM *angel in realtime.* IS OUT NOW – LISTEN** [**HERE**](https://gangofyouths.co/angelinrealtime)

**NORTH AMERICAN TOUR STARTS ON APRIL 21 IN MADISON, WI**



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**February 25, 2022 – (Los Angeles, CA) –** Today, **Gang of Youths** unveiled their new album ***angel in realtime.*** via **Warner Records**. The album’s release caps a remarkable few months for the band. Highlights include top 10 radio smash **“the** **angel of 8th ave.**,” a showstopping performance on [***The Late Show with Stephen Colbert***](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=RfdHHvJ1tlU), and a [NME cover feature](https://www.nme.com/en_au/big-reads/gang-of-youths-cover-interview-2022-angel-in-realtime-3145678). **Gang of Youths** will support the album with a North American tour kicking off in Madison, WI on April 21.

Inspired by the loss of frontman **Dave Le’aupepe’s** father, ***angel in realtime.*** is a record which channels its emotional intensity and existential questions into an exploratory sonic tapestry that touches upon everything from Britpop and post-punk to American minimalism and contemporary classical.

The album features all the big moments that have soundtracked **Gang of Youths’** rise, including “**the** **angel of 8th ave.**,” **“unison,”** “**the man himself,**” “**tend the garden,**” and **“in the wake of your leave.**” The album’s previously unreleased tracks provide plenty more, with an experimental hybrid of contemporary American minimalism, and electronica on “**you in everything,**” the 2-step and big beat rhythms of “**the kingdom is within you,**” and the cathartic conclusion provided by the sweeping, multi-textured **“goal** **of the century**.”

New single **“**[**spirit boy**](https://lnk.to/spiritboy)” is the beating heart of ***angel in realtime.*** The song features **Shane McLean**, a musician specializing in ***Taonga Pūoro*** (the traditional instrumentation and music culture of the **Māori** people) and contributes spoken word. **Le’aupepe** recalls:

*“We were fortunate to have Shane McLean, an outstanding musician and Taonga Pūoro facilitator, write and perform a spoken verse in Te Reo Māori. A wonderful Māori woman performed ‘rongoā’ on me — a sacred healing practice. It was a transformative experience, and I’m still not quite sure why. There was a moment when this wonderful woman looked at me and said ‘you’re a wairua boy’ — wairua in Te Reo means something like ‘spirit’.”*

**Dave Le’aupepe** (vocals, guitar), has channelled every drop of emotion into **Gang of Youths’** most personal album to date. For the band, which features multi-instrumentalists **Jung** **Kim** (guitar, keyboards), **Tom** **Hobden** (keyboards, guitar, violin), **Max** **Dunn** (bass) and **Donnie** **Borzestowski** (drums), the decision to rent an old warehouse space in London and self-produce the record was absolutely vital.

The record also pays tribute to **Le’aupepe’s** family heritage, firstly with the band’s pre-pandemic trip to Aotearoa to record with Pasifika and Māori instrumentalists the **Anuanua** **Drummers** from the **Cook** **Islands**, **Shane** **McClean** and the **Auckland** **Gospel** **Choir**. These recordings, together with the extensive sampling of composer and explorer **David Fanshawe’s** late 1970s field recordings of indigenous Pasifika music give the record a distinctive sense of time and place. When you add to this the 42-piece string section **Hobden** and **Le’aupepe** travelled to Budapest to record, the album effectively spans 50 years of collective recording and as many as seven countries.

*“Brimming with optimism, guts and heart"* ***– BILLBOARD***

*“A loving tribute to the confusion that arises in the wake of death."* ***- PASTE MAGAZINE***

*“The most powerful songwriting yet from the rock band, which is clearly operating at its peak." -* ***SF CHRONICLE***

***angel in realtime.*** is available to buy [**here**](https://gangofyouths.co/angelinrealtime)**.** Fans can purchase a double-white vinyl with an alternate sleeve from key indie stores, or a selection of bundles and merch which are packaged with a signed art card.

Ahead of the U.S. tour, **Gang of Youths** will celebrate the album’s release with a series of short in-store performances and then a tour of Ireland and the United Kingdom. Please see their [**website**](https://www.gangofyouths.com/SHOWS) for a full list of dates and ticket information.

**2022 North American tour dates:**

Apr 21: Madison, WI Majestic Theatre

Apr 22: Indianapolis, IN The Vogue

Apr 24: Columbus, OH Newport Music Hall

Apr 25: Louisville, KY Mercury Ballroom

Apr 27: Carrboro, NC Cat’s Cradle

Apr 28: Charlotte, NC The Underground

May 01: Nashville, TN The Basement East

May 03: Chicago, IL Metro

May 04: Detroit, MI Shelter

May 06: Toronto, ON Danforth Music Hall

May 07: Montreal, QC L’Astral

May 09: Boston, MA Paradise Rock Club

May 10: Brooklyn, NY Brooklyn Steel

May 12: Philadelphia, PA Theatre of the Living Arts

May 13: Washington, DC Union Stage (**SOLD OUT)**

May 16: San Francisco, CA The Fillmore

May 18: Los Angeles, CA Belasco Theater

May 20: Las Vegas, NV 24 Oxford

May 21: Phoenix, AZ Crescent Ballroom

May 23: Austin, TX Scoot Inn

May 24: Dallas, TX The Echo Lounge & Music Hall

May 26: Tulsa, OK Cain’s Ballroom

Sep 13: Milwaukee, WI The Rave II

Sep 14: Minneapolis, MN First Avenue - Mainroom

Sep 16: St. Louis, MO Delmar Hall

Sep 17: Lawrence, KS The Bottleneck

Sep 19: Englewood, CO Gothic Theatre

Sep 20: Salt Lake City, UT Urban Lounge

Sep 22: Portland, OR Revolution Hall

Sep 23: Vancouver, BC Rickshaw Theatre

Sep 25: Seattle, WA Neumos

Sep 27: Sacramento, CA Ace of Spades

***angel in realtime.***tracklist:

1. you in everything
2. [**in the wake of your leave**](https://gangofyouths.co/itwoylvideo)
3. [**the angel of 8th ave.**](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=H9QsAO4BU28)
4. returner
5. [**unison**](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=KliTGJahNIM)
6. [**tend the garden**](https://gangofyouths.co/tendthegarden)
7. the kingdom is within you
8. [**spirit boy**](https://lnk.to/spiritboy)
9. brothers
10. forbearance

1. **[the man himself](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9KyolyVcWu8)**
2. hand of god
3. goal of the century

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