

Something for the Weekend

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EMA – Grey Ship: Erika M Anderson (formerly of niche-inhabiting duo Gowns) is to release a solo album, with this seven-minute marvel being the lead single. An otherworldly odyssey, this track morphs and evolves throughout its lengthy duration, leaving the listener entranced. 4

MICHAEL JACKSON – Behind The Mask: This slick electro-tinged diamond from the King of Pop’s posthumous album has all the trademarks of a classic Jacko track. 3.5

RIVAL SCHOOLS – Wring It Out: This post-hardcore outfit have a vibrant but melancholy tone that builds to an impressive crescendo, under the leadership of vocalist Walter Schreifels. 3.5

PLAN B – Writing’s On The Wall: Sticking to the retro soul aesthetic that allowed the chart champ to burst into the mainstream, this mellow offering doesn’t have the presence of She Said. 3

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RAP ROCKERS CAUGHT UP IN LEGAL NIGHTMARE



BY CHRIS SWEENEY

Stuck in the Middle

ONE2SEE

POP duo Diagram Of The Heart are big faves of the Royal Family of tiny oil-rich kingdom Brunei. Singer Kye Sones even met Michael Jackson at one of their parties — and he gave the King of Pop the band’s demo album. The lads play Glasgow’s Nice N Sleazy on Tuesday night. Get tickets now at diagramoftheheart.co.uk

ONE2HEAR

NORTHERN Irish outfit Rams’ Pocket Radio are creating hype. They’ve supported Marina And The Diamonds and Darwin Deez already, going down well. They’re also beaver away on their debut album. But for now, check out their powerful tune Dogs Run In Packs at rampsackradio.com

BY TOM CHURCHILL

POT OF GOLD

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MELTING POT @ The Admiral, Glasgow, tomorrow: Scotland’s original New York-style disco party celebrates its tenth birthday with the return of one of the Big Apple’s finest. Joaquin ‘Joe’ Claussell, left, is one third of the Body & Soul crew, alongside Francois K and Danny Krivit, and is the man behind the Spiritual Life and Sacred Rhythim labels. His DJ sets are the stuff of legend and he’s sure to deliver something special. Former MP resident Billy Woods also returns to join residents Simon Cordiner and Andrew Pirie, and Thunder Disco Club make their debut.

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SENSU @ Sub Club, Glasgow, tonight: It’s been sold out for weeks but if you’re lucky enough to have a ticket this is the only place to be for devotees of the minimal sound. The Sensu crew have enticed Chilean-German DJ, producer and all-round legend Ricardo Villalobos to the Sub’s hallowed turntables. Dress to sweat — it’s going to be a busy one. . .

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COLOURS @ The Arches, Glasgow, tonight: Get set

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NOMAD @ Art School, Glasgow, tomorrow: This new night goes from strength to strength for their second outing, with a live set from Berlin minimal techno master Hearthrob, star of Richie Hawtin’s Minus label. London tech-house stalwart Rossko hits the decks alongside resident DJ Ivan Kutz.

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JACKHAMMER @ The Caves, Edinburgh, tonight: Glasgow’s mighty Slam duo pay a visit to the capital and delve into their collections for a three-hour set of the finest house and techno grooves. Support comes from Wolfjazz and Keyte. ● You can email your news and listings to tom.churchill@the-sun.co.uk

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BY JIM GELLATLY

NEW MUSIC

SONG OF RETURN

WHO: Craig Grant (lead vocals, guitar), Alex McNutt (keyboard, vocals), Louis Abbot (guitar, vocals), David Reekie (bass), Peter Kelly (drums)

WHERE: Glasgow

FOR FANS OF: Radiohead, Nine Inch Nails, Mogwai

JIM SAYS: I met Gavin & Stacey star Mat Horne in Edinburgh recently, when we were filming a segment for Channel 4’s Sounds From The Cities series, and he revealed Union Of Knives — Chris Gordon and Craig Grant’s old group — was one of his favourite Scottish bands. I too was a massive fan of the band, who were regulars on my Xfm show. Sadly, though, signed via a major label and recording in LA, they never made the promised breakthrough and the band’s second album remains unreleased. As with their former band, Song Of Return started life in the studio before becoming a live affair. This time round though Chris has remained in the studio, with the live outfit formed around Craig as the sole frontman. Featuring some well-known faces from the Scottish scene, including Admiral Fallow singer Louis, they’ve only played a handful of shows so far. But, despite that, they’ve been creating a huge buzz. Musically it’s a glorious hybrid of orchestral, electronica and rock, like the cool soundtrack to a dark movie. Song Of Return release their debut album Limits in May. Meanwhile, check out the website for a couple of free downloads. MORE: songofreturn.com ● Hear Jim on Amazing Radio, Sunday 3-4pm (DAB digital radio & online) — jimgellatly.com

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