

Shayna Adler

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There are few things about Shayna Adler that walk outside the whimsical. Her aesthetics speak fiction-fantasy, and her music is a world in itself. Shayna's marvelously illustrated songwriting is a Folk-Rock wonder of adventures and storytelling.

Heavily influenced by American Folk and Country music, Celtic music, and 1960's-1970's Psychedelic Folk Rock such as Jethro Tull or The Byrds, Shayna's recordings are filled with layers and otherworldly dimensions; an acoustic orchestra traveling by caravan...Feminism and self-empowerment are a constant underlying theme in her songs.

Shayna's self-produced LP Album, *Wander*, is 9-song labor of love that was created at Horse Latitudes Studios in Glendale, California. It's been a project in the works since mid 2018. *Wander* features the talents of Mark Christian (Merle Jagger), Mario Calire (The Wallflowers), Alexis Sklarevski (Crosby, Stills & Nash), Greg Liesz (Bon Iver), and more. Every song is being produced like a painting, with Shayna developing the rhythm parts during pre-production, and the tracks being developed and recorded one part at a time, "It's been a lengthy process, but what we've created could never have been cut live in a few days and still have the same depth." Subliminally cinematic and orchestral in arrangement, these original songs pass between modern Americana and 1970's Psychedelia: with unexpected chord changes, atmospheric synths, and strange twists and turns that follow the storylines instead of a chart.

A concept album, "It follows the fantastical story of one woman," explains Shayna, "which became clear when I chose the songs, and I actually wrote a couple more just for this album—they were missing chapters." Everything is detailed and deliberate when it comes to Shayna, and she is uncompromising when it comes to vision. "As I've been exploring this concept, it's taken on a life in itself. I don't mean to sound cliché, but it really is a journey—in both the whimsical sense and the philosophical. Discovering who you are and what you're made of is not all sunshine and flowers. This album is the story about how one person figured out just what they were made of, at a time when they had thought they'd seen everything. And when they thought they had nothing left, there was so much more." *Wander* will be released on October 30th, 2020.