

Desert album cover art by Lucy Mellenfield

Jazz/folk singer-songwriter Lucy Mellenfield, recent masters graduate from the Royal Birmingham Conservatoire, announces the release of her single Desert.

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Lucy Mellenfield announces the release of Desert, an interdisciplinary project combining music with videography and dance. Desert is a story of patience; a journey from the lost to the found. Written during the 2020 lockdown where for many, feelings of aimlessness and isolation were ever-present, the song reveals how inspiration, community, and welcoming new knowledge can free your creative self.

## ARTIST: LUCY MELLENFIELD

SINGLE RELEASE with official music video

## **DESERT**

Friday 7<sup>th</sup> October 2022



Lucy Mellenfield recording guitar part for Desert in the Royal Birmingham Conservatoire studio 9/12/21. Photo credit: Alex Collett-Sinfield.

The making of Desert involved choreographers and dancers from Trinity Laban Conservatoire and the videographer, engineers, and musicians from the Royal Birmingham Conservatoire.



Full band recording Desert in the Royal Birmingham Conservatoire studio, 9/12/21. Photo credit: Alex Collett-Sinfield.

It was filmed on a sand dune on the coast of South Wales in February 2022. Interaction with the surrounding natural elements was a crucial aspect of Lucy's vision for the video. The combination of Alex Collett-Sinfield's selective camera work and Lauren Jean Pountney-Barnes' beautiful choreography submerges the viewer into the natural environment and invites them to join this intimate experience with Lucy, the dancers, and the landscape.



Filming in golden hour on the Merthyr Mawr sand dunes in South Wales 27/02/22. Lauren Jean Pountney-Barnes, choreographer (left).

Lucy Mellenfield's debut single, Tournesols, in 2019, was described by Voice FM as a 'monumental debut single; one of those rare songs that makes you feel nostalgic for something you can't even recall'. Alongside other tracks on her follow up EP In My Short Time, Tournesols was aired on BBC Introducing Radio Solent. Her song Beautiful Soul was chosen as Record of the Week and selected as part of their Best of 2020 show.

Lucy Mellenfield held her debut full band gig at the Spotted Dog in Birmingham on July 19<sup>th</sup> 2022 with a full string quartet and supporting band, performing music from her EP In My Short Time as well as this upcoming single Desert and other unreleased material. She has also performed solo at various venues in Birmingham, including Wine Freedom in Digbeth and most recently at New Street Station during the final weekend of the Commonwealth Games.



Packing down post film shoot. Jasmine Springall, dancer (left), Lucy Mellenfield (centre-left), Tamara-Veronica Katerinchuck, dancer (centre-right), Lauren Jean Pountney-Barnes, choreographer (right).

Please contact Lucy Mellenfield for more information, to notify about a magazine feature or to organize a personal interview.

Listen to Lucy Mellenfield:
<a href="https://lucymellenfield.bandcamp.com/">https://lucymellenfield.bandcamp.com/</a> or listen to her first two singles on Spotify or Apple Music.

For a preview of Desert please contact for a private viewing link.