

JOOLS HOLLAND TEAMS UP WITH MUSIC LEGEND JOSÉ FELICIANO FOR NEW ALBUM AND TOUR



- New album 'As You See Me Now' released 17 November
- *Let's Find Each Other Tonight* available as an instant grat track from 19 September
- Jools and José to go on 35-date UK tour this autumn

Music maestro Jools Holland has announced a collaborative album with Latin musician José Feliciano. 'As You See Me Now' will be released on 17 November through East West Records with physical pre-orders available from **18 September** and digital pre-orders from **19 September**. *Let's Find Each Other Tonight* will be available on all download and streaming services from **19 September**. The album will be available on CD, vinyl and digital formats.

The 14-track album includes iconic covers from a wide range of artists such as Stevie Wonder's *Treat Myself*, Lead Belly's *Midnight Special* and the timeless soul classic, Percy Mayfield's *Hit The Road Jack*. The album also features international hits from José Feliciano such as *Let's Find Each Other Tonight* and *One More Drink*. Many of the tracks on the album feature Jools' renowned Rhythm & Blues Orchestra. José's festive favourite *Feliz Navidad* is given a completely new ska makeover.

Jools says of José, "*One of my greatest musical heroes musically for years and years...you put something in front of him and he just makes it sound better. When I first heard his music, it had the same effect on me as Ray Charles, The Beatles and Motown. Hearing José sing and play was like an arrow straight to my heart. The album has turned out extraordinary, it's a unique sound.*"

José said, "*We've become brothers, and for as long as I live I'll never forget this moment, whether I do another record with him or whether I go on his TV show. The reason we work so well together is because his style of piano is my way of guitar playing. There's no music we can't play.*"

A highlight of the album is the title track, *As You See Me Now*, which was written by Jools himself and sung by José. Jools says: “*It comes to life and it sounds like it’s his. I think that’s the great thing about performing: you are trying to illuminate the song. Whether it’s one of our songs or whether it’s somebody else’s song, you are just trying to make it come to life.*”

Another highlight of ‘As You See Me Now’ is the Django Reinhardt influenced *Honeysuckle Rose*. Jools says it took, “*one take, that was it. It teared through like hot club jazz from the 1930s. I’d never heard José playing like that and the band loved it.*”

Also featured is a duet with Rita Wilson called *You’re So Cold* that she co-wrote with Jools while they were in the Antarctic last year.

In support of their new album, Jools and José will be heading out on the road this autumn with a 35-date UK tour. Highlights include two dates at London’s Royal Albert Hall, as well as arena shows at Cardiff’s Motorpoint Arena and Leeds’ First Direct Arena. With a vast collection of boogie-woogie tracks from multiple decades, a night at one of the UK’s most popular tours is guaranteed to be a memorable one.

As well as their signature vocals, Jools’ boogie-woogie piano style mixed with José’s inimitable Latin guitar playing provides a truly engaging listen. ‘As You See Me Now’ will be available on CD, vinyl and digital formats and released on 17 November. *Let’s Find Each Other Tonight* will be available on all download and streaming services from **19 September**.

CD: www.amazon.co.uk/dp/B075J6JW9B
Vinyl: www.amazon.co.uk/dp/B075LZXWQJ
www.joolsholland.com / www.ticketmaster.co.uk

‘AS YOU SEE ME NOW’ TRACK LISTING

- 1) As You See Me Now
- 2) Treat Myself
- 3) Just To Be Home With You
- 4) Honeysuckle Rose
- 5) One More Drink
- 6) Midnight Special
- 7) Hit The Road Jack feat. Ruby Turner
- 8) In My Life
- 9) Let’s Find Each Other Tonight
- 10) You’re So Cold feat. Rita Wilson
- 11) Baby Can I Hold You
- 12) Believe Me When I Tell You
- 13) Feliz Navidad
- 14) Happy New Year

AUTUMN 2017 UK TOUR DATES

OCTOBER

Fri 13	BELFAST	Waterfront
Sat 14	DUBLIN	3Arena
Thurs 26	SOUTHEND	Cliffs Pavilion
Fri 27	SOUTHEND	Cliffs Pavilion
Sat 28	IPSWICH	Regent Theatre
Sun 29	CAMBRIDGE	Corn Exchange

NOVEMBER

Thurs 2	WATFORD	Colosseum
Fri 3	YORK	Barbican
Sat 4	SHEFFIELD	City Hall
Sun 5	OXFORD	New Theatre
Thurs 9	GUILDFORD	Glive
Fri 10	READING	Hexagon
Sat 11	PORTSMOUTH	Guildhall
Sun 12	SOUTHAMPTON	Mayflower
Thurs 16	NOTTINGHAM	Royal Concert Hall
Fri 17	NORTHAMPTON	Derngate
Sat 18	MANCHESTER	O2 Apollo
Weds 22	LEICESTER	DeMontfort Hall
Thurs 23	LEICESTER	DeMontfort Hall
Fri 24	LONDON	Royal Albert Hall
Sat 25	LONDON	Royal Albert Hall
Weds 29	NEWCASTLE	City Hall
Thurs 30	NEWCASTLE	City Hall

DECEMBER

Fri 1	GLASGOW	SEC Armadillo
Sat 2	GLASGOW	SEC Armadillo
Fri 8	PLYMOUTH	Pavilions
Sat 9	BRISTOL	Colston Hall
Sun 10	BRISTOL	Colston Hall
Weds 13	BIRMINGHAM	Symphony Hall
Thurs 14	BIRMINGHAM	Symphony Hall
Fri 15	CARDIFF	Motorpoint Arena
Sat 16	BRIGHTON	Centre
Weds 20	STOKE	Victoria Hall
Thurs 21	HARROGATE	Harrogate International Centre
Fri 22	LEEDS	First Direct Arena