

## SANDMOON'S HYPNOTIC SYNTH AND ELECTRO BEATS URGE YOU TO OPEN YOUR EYES WITH NEW SINGLE "WAKE UP" AND ACCOMPANYING MUSIC VIDEO

**Song & Video Set for Release Digitally June 24**

**Taken from Forthcoming Full-Length Album**

Sandmoon, an indie folk/rock band led by Lebanon-based musician Sandra Arslanian, have returned with a new single, "Wake Up" – a hypnotic song driven by swirling synths, electro-acoustic beats, angry guitars & airy vocals. The song will be released digitally on June 24. Sandmoon has also shared an accompanying video to the song directed by Salim Mrad. Sandmoon continues to create evocative music which are emotionally driven with an unerring sense of style that springs from Arslanian's multi-cultural upbringing—born in Lebanon with Armenian roots and raised in Belgium. Produced by Marwan Tohme at Tunefork Studios in Lebanon, the song includes Arslanian on main and backing vocals, synths and keyboard; Sam Wehbi on guitar, Georgy Flouty on bass and Dani Shukri on drums. "Wake Up" is the first single taken from their forthcoming album, *"While We Watch the Horizon Sink"*, which will be released later this year.

Arslanian explains: *"Wake Up* is a song about looking beyond superficiality, going to the essence of things and of yourself... 'And then you heal'". Arslanian further explains: "The song was written during one of the COVID-lockdowns and after months of protests in Beirut. Wake Up reflects the intensity and the transformative power of everything the people in Beirut and in Lebanon have lived through in the past two years."

Selim Mrad describes the video: "I believe suffering - or at least a big portion of it - stops when we open our eyes. As most of us keep struggling, we can rest assured that we are nonetheless never unattended, never alone. Beautiful beings, often through their feminine energy, are patiently whispering the sweet words of remembrance in our ears."

Sandmoon released their debut album *Home* in 2014, followed by an EP *#IntheEnd* in 2016. In 2016, they also wrote the original soundtrack to Lebanese director, Philippe Aractingi's feature film *Listen*, which received the Award for Best Soundtrack at the Lebanese Movie Awards 2017. Followed a 3-song EP *Beirut-Berlin Session* produced by Victor Van Vugt (Nick Cave, PJ Harvey).

*While We Watch the Horizon Sink* is the follow up to their 2020 album *Put a Gun/Commotion* produced by Fadi Tabbal.

"Wake Up" Presave: <https://bfan.link/wake-up-14>

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