

sunny/sky proudly presents **Sunna Gunnlaugs**



‘Becoming’ Icelandic pianist Sunna Gunnlaugs writes music that flows from a place of deep sincerity. She draws on experience and feeling to create compositions that evoke emotions and conjure images in her listeners. On her latest release *Becoming* she is joined by her long-time collaborators bassist Þorgrímur Jónsson and drummer Scott McLemore.

The trio’s bond is strong after over a decade of working together as evidenced by their robust yet subtle interactiveness and the eloquent soloing of all three members. *Becoming* is the 5th album Gunnlaugs has released with this trio. However, this time the compositions are all her own.

These pieces, 7 in total, describe a longing to travel. This is perhaps understandable for someone living on an island in the North Atlantic. She has talked about her childhood fascination with Tin Tin going on adventures. This music takes the listener to places both imagined and real in a way that only Gunnlaugs’ signature Nordic-Americana could.

What the press says

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“When it comes to the traditional jazz piano trio, not many pianists are able to set a mood quite like Sunna Gunnlaugs. A melody from the Icelandic native has the same transformational power as the changing seasons, where a heavy snowfall or a blanket of autumn leaves or bathing sunlight instills a sense of newness and wonder to our immediate surroundings. The pianist, with her trio of bassist Þorgrímur Jónsson and drummer Scott McLemore, typically stick to a modern sound, but deliver it with the same exquisite tenderness that draws listeners to, say, a Bill Evans recording.”

– *Dave Sumner, Bandcamp, USA*

“...multi-threaded and constantly evolving journey, which emanates elegance, intimacy, space, freedom and the call of adventure.”

– *Marcin Kozicki, Stacja Islandia, Poland*

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Artists

Sunna Gunnlaugs, piano • **Þorgrímur Jónsson**, bass • **Scott McLemore**, drums

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