

Italian folk singer/songwriter The Sleeping Tree announces the release of “Suite: Wounded Love / Lilies”. The single anticipates a new album to be released later in 2021.

On the bass with Mellow Mood since 2005, The Sleeping Tree (real name Giulio Frausin) is one of the curators of La Tempesta Dub, reggae/dub branch of independent label La Tempesta Dischi. After a first album (“Leaves And Roots”, 2008) released by German net-label 12rec and a self-released EP (“Stories”, 2011), he was signed by Italian independent label La Tempesta International. His latest album as The Sleeping Tree, "Painless", was released in 2013. “Colours”, EP containing remixes of his songs by a number of Italian electronic/avant-garde musicians was released in 2015.

After a long hiatus, during which he focused on his band’s and label’s activities, Frausin teamed up with producer Paolo Baldini (La Tempesta Dischi, Pressure Sounds) to record a new full-length album, containing songs written over the past ten years.

“Suite: Wounded Love / Lilies” is a piece consisting of two different folk-oriented songs, far from Caribbean atmospheres, and reflecting multiple influences ranging from American folk to classical guitar, through the evolution and variation of musical themes and ideas. The ballad tells of love lost and found. The lyrics are structured after the five phases of mourning, in an effort to reconcile even after the toughest heartbreak. In bold contrast with contemporary music standards, the duration of nearly 13 minutes is in itself a statement and a request to just take the time and listen.

The song was recorded by Matt Bordin (The Mojomatics), mixed by Paolo Baldini, and mastered by Giovanni Versari (Jorja Smith, Calibro35).