THE SLEEPING TREE New album "Timeline" release date: 4th March, 2022 La Tempesta International - LTI-109/22



TRACKLIST

- 01. Seismography
- 02. Poets
- 03. Songs To Sing Bad Times Away
- 04. Suite: Wounded Love / Lilies
- 05. Our Somber Song
- 06. On Aging
- 07. Broken Trust / Lies
- 08. The Reason

The Sleeping Tree's new album **"Timeline"** will be released on 4th March, 2022 by the Italian label **La Tempesta International**. The record is available on vinyl and CD via **Master Music**, and it is distributed on all streaming platforms by **AWAL**.

Eight years after "Painless", **The Sleeping Tree** returns with "Timeline", a new album in which his voice and guitar become tools to explore the songwriter's innermost thoughts, far from the Caribbean rhythms and atmospheres that characterize his works with the reggae band Mellow Mood and the label La Tempesta Dub.

As demonstrated by the two singles <u>"Suite: Wounded Love / Lilies"</u> and "<u>Our Somber Song</u>", the new album "*Timeline*" features all the ingredients of acoustic folk: naked songs become the foundation for a positive approach on one's constant trials of life.

"The creation of "Timeline" actually took me longer that I had originally expected: after the release of "Painless" I thought I'd soon get back to work on a bunch of songs that were born with that record but were eventually left out of the tracklist, and write new material altogether. But then, having performed only the songs from "Painless" for a number of years, and after the long hiatus that occurred between the two albums, I gained to a better understanding of my writing and of my artistic skills. I had a clear idea of what I wanted and which direction to follow.

"Timeline" is therefore a very 'intentional' record, both in terms of songwriting and production. I was glad to work one more time with Paolo Baldini. Over the past few years we've worked on so many different projects that we know each other very well, both artistically and personally. He knows how to get the best out of me and I know what his strengths are. I also knew that we needed to concentrate some more on the actual recording of the album, and that's why I decided to spend a few days at the beautiful Outside Inside Studio of Matt Bordin, lost in the woods on the hills of North-Eastern Italy.

Easy to guess, the record centers around my guitar and voice.

And although the instrumental parts are somewhat more complex than in my previous records, we focused more on the vocal parts. I wanted the main voice to be just one track, with no overdubs, and I wanted it to sound as natural as possible.

I didn't want the album to feel attached to a specific "here and now": over the past few years I learned that for The Sleeping Tree's project to thrive, I needed to separate the discographic part from the reality of live shows. My records must be able to 'survive' through long years without any supporting tour. The goal was to be able to suddenly 'appear' in my listeners' home through their speakers, and that's why we wanted the album to sound as transparent as possible. I indeed think that an intimate, relaxed approach is the best dimension to listen to this record. Those who will take the time to listen, will understand."

"**Timeline**" was written and arranged by **Giulio Frausin**, recorded at the **Outside Inside Studio** by Matt Bordin and produced in collaboration with **Paolo Baldini**, who mixed it at the Alambic Conspiracy Studio in Pordenone, Italy.

The record was mastered by Giovanni Versari at La Maestà Studio in Tredozio, Italy.

Giulio Frausin was born in Pordenone, Italy, in 1986.

He is the bassist of the reggae band Mellow Mood since 2005 and he is one of the curators of La Tempesta Dub, the reggae branch of the famous Italian independent label by the same name.

Far from the Caribbean sounds he is more frequently associated with, he released under the moniker The Sleeping Tree a series of works, the latest of which ("Painless") was released by La Tempesta International in 2013.

After an eight-year hiatus, in which he mainly focused on live shows and discographic projects, in 2021 he started working with producer Paolo Baldini on a new album, entitled "Timeline", to be released in March 2022. Two singles off the album, "Suite: Wounded Love / Lilies" and "Our Somber Song", were released in 2021.