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Singled Out: Alexander Ross-Iver's Cry For You

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Today indie-pop songwriter Alexander Ross-Iver tells us about his new single "Cry For You" which was coproduced by John McLaughlin (Echo & The Bunnymen, Mick Jones, Westlife, Boyzone). Here is the story:

Fancy a ballad for your next breakup? While they obviously are something we do not want to think about, breakups are just as inevitable in life as death, taxes and love songs. Luckily for the musically gifted Alexander Ross-Iver - of Georgian descent - he is able to turn expired love relations into beautiful songs, while sustaining an experimental vision to shy away from tired clichés during the process. "Cry For You" is a song he wrote, composed and demoed in 2008, and was recently reproduced in Glasgow by John McLaughlin. The Scottish producer worked with the likes of Echo & the Bunnymen, Mick Jones, Shane MacGowan, Gary Barlow and Westlife, and received the demo from Alex, which he liked. "He told me right away that it sounds like Brian Eno meeting David Bowie, and was happy to re-record and produce the song with me at his studio."

There are plenty of creative and commercial pitfalls when writing about love. "I hate love songs and pop music in general," says Alex. "I don't think it's going to be a wedding song! It's more of a serious song about love and breakups. I wrote it because I often think about my ex-girlfriends and the reasons why we broke up."

In order to work around his general disdain for love songs, he found inspiration in the styles of Italian pop artist Nek and aforementioned heroes, Bowie and Eno. The song was created at his studio, featuring himself on vocals, keyboards, and acoustic and electric guitars.

The finished version came to fruition in the wake of several exciting collaborations Alex did with creative talents around Europe in recent years. With Iceland's Gisli Kristjansson and Eliza Newman (ex-Bellatrix), he made the song "Fire Inside." He also composed a Christmas song with Gisli called "That Time of Year." Moreover, Yello co-founder Carlos Perón agreed to do a remix of "4 Room Song."

"Cry For You" and more new songs - released digitally during the upcoming months - are featured on the forthcoming album

Nobody Knows Cause No One Cares, to be released soon.

Hearing is believing. Now that you know the story behind the song, listen for yourself [here](#) and learn more about the Alexander [right here!](#)

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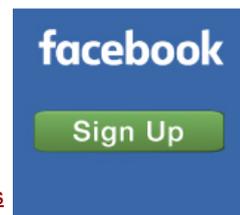
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