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**DEBUT EP ‘YOU DON’T HAVE TO BE YOURSELF RIGHT NOW’**

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**PLAY INDEPENDENT VENUE WEEK SHOW IN EDINBURGH NEXT TUESDAY**

**FULL HEADLINE TOUR COMMENCES NEXT MONTH**

*“An epic, sweeping vaguely Arcade Fire-like song about tribulation, triumph and hard-won wisdom that will be amazing live.”* – **Sunday Times Culture**

*“Soaring.”* – **NME**

*“‘Higher Love’ is a slow burning beast that gradually builds up to an arena-sized chorus.”* - **Rolling Stone**

*“Each single illustrates a kind of melodic maturity, an adept, hugely effective form of indie pop that cuts to the bone.” -* **Clash**

*“A rousing, heart-on-sleeve purge of communal catharsis.”* – **DIY**

*‘’The White brothers are back doing what they do best and appreciating the opportunity to take a second bite at the apple.’’ –* **Far Out Magazine**

**A group of men holding guitars

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The launch of **86TVs** has seen former **Maccabees** duo **Hugo** and **Felix White** embrace a new beginning: an us-against-the-world attitude of proving their powers as a new band that reflects their early days before **The Maccabees** reached their towering peak. Completed by third **White** brother **Will** and drummer **Jamie Morrison** (**Stereophonics**), **86TVs** today unveil their eagerly anticipated debut EP **‘You Don’t Have To Be Yourself Right Now’**.

The EP features the recent tracks **‘Higher Love’** and **‘Worn Out Buildings’** as well as their new release **‘Spinning World’**. Premiered earlier this week by **Steve Lamacq** at **6Music, ‘Spinning World’** presents a subtle stylistic shift from the band’s first two singles. Originating from **Will’s** more introverted songwriting approach, its initially restrained introduction suddenly crashes into life, the band’s musical intuition firing up a skyscraping chorus with vapour trails of guitar and their patented, close-knit vocal harmonies. It’s also infused with a dynamic power, as it drifts down into ethereal atmospherics before once again erupting in a rousing, psych-tinged crescendo.

**Will** says, “*I love doing that chorus live with everyone in unison. Something about it just feels right to me, hearing all our voices together*.”

The EP is completed with a brand new track in the shape of **‘Dreaming’**. A beautifully direct song exulting the power of love and the devastation of loss, it’s **86TVs’** first epic: a slowburner which achieves maximal impact by taking the time to unveil its full, affecting majesty.

**86TVs** produced the EP alongside **Stephen Street** (**The Maccabees’ ‘Colour It In’**, **Blur**, **Suede**) during sessions at the band’s own **Olympic Studios** and at the producer’s studio **The Bunker at 13**.

Formed in the wake of **The Maccabees’** split, **86TVs** went public in **2022** with a tour as special guests to **Jamie T**. Their first two singles have emerged to a groundswell of critical acclaim alongside a first flurry of radio support. Released towards the end of **2022**, **‘Worn Out Buildings’** was nominated for **Radio X’s Record of the Year** before **‘Higher Love’** hit the **A-list** at **6Music**, and was playlisted and named **Track of the Week** at **Absolute Radio**.

Given their background, it’s no surprise that **86TVs** immediately made an impact in the live area too – as evidenced by their [**Reading Festival** set](https://youtu.be/ZEB32zBN9Us?si=sezWu8iansr5tEYE), their [**Empire Studios** sessions](https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLfz-UZq_R5AJC1tD4XeU_HFTrjEP3_2cE), and their [live TV debut on **‘Sunday Brunch’**](https://www.instagram.com/p/CzZZ8VpN4NX/). Their next full headline tour starts next month and is almost sold-out – the London show at Lafayette sold-out within a day. Very limited tickets for the tour, dates listed below, are available [**HERE**](https://linktr.ee/86tvsband):

**JANUARY**

**30th - Edinburgh, Whistle Binkies (Independent Venue Week show)**

**FEBRUARY**

**25th – Dublin, The Workman’s Club**

**27th – Glasgow, King Tuts**

**28th – Newcastle, Think Tank?**

**29th – Nottingham, Bodega (SOLD OUT)**

**MARCH**

**2nd – Manchester, Deaf Institute (SOLD OUT)**

**3rd – Birmingham, Hare & Hounds (SOLD OUT)**

**5th – London, Lafayette (SOLD OUT)**

**6th – Bristol, Thekla**

**7th – Southampton, Joiners (SOLD OUT)**

**8th – Brighton, Concorde 2**

**‘You Don’t Have To Be Yourself Right Now’** EP tracklist:

1. **‘Worn Out Buildings’**
2. **‘Higher Love’**
3. **‘Spinning World’**
4. **‘Dreaming**

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