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MIRACLE FORTRESS ANNOUNCES US LIVE DATES

Miracle Fortress announces US live dates following the release of the internationally acclaimed debut, *Five Roses* through Secret City. These are the first US dates since playing SXSW in March 2007.

~~Tues Oct 16 — New York, NY @ Bowery Ballroom (Brooklyn Vegan CMJ show) cancelled~~

~~Wed Oct 17 — Brooklyn, NY @ Sound Fix (5pm, In-store) cancelled~~

Thur Nov 15 Portland, OR @ Crystal Ballroom (w. Stars)

Fri Nov 16 Seattle, WA @ Showbox (w. Stars)

Miracle Fortress is from the brainwaves of 23 year old wunderkind, **Graham Van Pelt**, a Montreal-based multi-instrumentalist and vocalist who builds wall of sound pop songs. Originally from Stratford, Ontario, Graham is also a member of Montreal's **Think About Life**.

Nominated for the 2007 **Polaris Music Prize**, Miracle Fortress performed during the ceremony on September 23, 2007, which was held at the Phoenix Concert Theatre in Toronto, Ontario. The Polaris Music Prize was awarded to Miracle Fortress' Secret City label-mate, Patrick Watson. Recognizing Canadian musical talent based on artistic merit, other Polaris nominees were Feist, Arcade Fire, The Dears, Junior Boys, The Besnard Lakes, among others.

PRESS QUOTES

"The antidepressant industry would be in serious trouble if troubled souls could just absorb the melodic elation of the is stunning debut." - **SPIN** (July 07)

"*Five Roses* is full of shimmering, sparkling details, and Van Pelt manages to refract the past while dazzling in the present." - **MAGNET** "Introducing the Band" (Summer 07)

"Graham Van Pelt's debut is one of those out of nowhere releases where the thrill of discovery trumps even great new records from good old favorites." - **HARP** (Aug. 07)

"Miracle Fortress's sun-dappled *Five Roses* arrives perfectly timed to the coming summer months, but the most striking character of its California-tinged dream-pop is how much it reflects its genesis in the wintry depths of Montreal. "Next Train," for its part, is simply one of the most transporting pieces of music yet to surface in 2007, a beautiful, goosepimply freefall that shifts gears into exactly the kaleidoscopic freakout one doesn't expect at the end."
- **THE TORONTO STAR**

"If Arcade Fire's Win Butler didn't have the weight of the world on his shoulders, loved the Beach Boys, sang with susurrus sweetness and let Brian Eno produce, he might be capable of something as graceful and uplifting as Miracle Fortress's debut." - **THE GUARDIAN** (UK) (July 27, 07)

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