

## The Local Presents Hot New Talent at Liverpool Sound City

The Local will present some of the best up and coming folk and indie rock at this year's Liverpool Sound City, hosting a stage at the festival on Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> May 2018 at Birdies Bar.

Artists confirmed for The Local's stage are **HAWK**, **Maria Kelly**, **Nathan Harrison**, **Samana**, **Sean Christopher**, and **Mathilda Homer**. The festival runs over the weekend of the 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> May and The Local's acts join a stellar festival line-up, which includes bands like **Peace**, **Wye Oak** and **Sunset Sons**.

HAWK and Maria Kelly are no strangers to the scene, having wowed audiences around the UK and Europe. HAWK have already been covered by the likes of **Noisey**, **DIY**, and **The Line of Best Fit**, whilst websites such as **Consequence of Sound**, **Wonderland**, and **Earmilk** have sung Maria Kelly's praises. Meanwhile, Sean Christopher is currently signed to **Dumont Dumont**, the home of **Jose Gonzales** and **Charlie Cunningham** - tracks have appeared on **Clash**, **Mahogany**, and **Indie Shuffle**. **Fat Cat**'s latest signing Samana has collaborated with artists like **Unkle** and **Nick Cave**, and The Local has hand-picked **Nathan Harrison** and **Mathilda Homer** as brand new, fresh talent to introduce to the scene.

London based promoter The Local was founded by **Howard Monk**. Over the past 20 years, The Local has booked iconic acts such as **The National**, **Bloc Party**, and **Animal Collective**, providing music lovers the chance to see the best new and established talent.

"We're really excited to be back at Liverpool Sound City, where I've been a number of times since putting on bands like **Mugstar** and **Cate Le Bon** a few years back," says Monk. "It's great to be there as a fan of course but it's very special to be able to bring some new talent."

2018 will be Liverpool Sound City's 11<sup>th</sup> year, and this year, the festival returns to its roots – "embracing the spirit of the underground", seeking out the next generation of talent across the intimate and eclectic spaces of Liverpool's historic Baltic Triangle.

The Local and Liverpool Sound City's is the perfect fit as both aim to provide the festival's fans with an exciting line-up of new talent.

The festival starts on 5th May on Liverpool's Baltic Triangle and Cains Brewery.

Tickets are available at: https://liverpoolsoundcity.seetickets.com/tour/liverpool-sound-city

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