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Sparks reveal album tracklisting and share new song 'Self-Effacing'

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Album 'A Steady Drip, Drip, Drip' released May 15th 2020 on BMG

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European tour dates October 2020

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"These days, every new alternative and indie rock band that comes up owes a huge musical debt to the Maels." [Forbes](#)

Pioneering pop perennials Sparks – Ron and Russell Mael - lift the lid on their new album 'A Steady Drip, Drip, Drip' with the release of 'Self-Effacing' in which the evergreen masters of the musical vignette show no loss of appetite for their singular sonic adventures.



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Watch the lyric video on YouTube from 5pm GMT Feb 19th [HERE](#)

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The track-listing for 'A Steady Drip, Drip, Drip' – which was recorded in Los Angeles - reveals that '[Please Don't Fuck Up My World](#)', released in December, also features on this new album.

A Steady Drip, Drip, Drip tracklisting

- 01 All That
- 02 I'm Toast
- 03 Lawnmower
- 04 Sainthood Is Not In Your Future
- 05 Pacific Standard Time
- 06 Stravinsky's Only Hit
- 07 Left Out In The Cold
- 08 Self-Effacing
- 09 One For The Ages
- 10 Onomato Pia
- 11 iPhone
- 12 The Existential Threat
- 13 Nothing Travel Faster Than The Speed Of Light
- 14 [Please Don't Fuck Up My World](#)

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'A Steady Drip, Drip, Drip' will be available on multiple formats including CD, picture disc, and cassette. For the full range click [HERE](#)

"...the Mael Brothers are proving that five decades into their careers the best may still be ahead of them" - Huck

2020 will see Sparks and their [band](#) embarking on a short run of dates in October 2020, before an extended world tour in 2021. Also due to be released are the Sparks-written musical feature film Annette, starring Adam Driver and Marion Cotillard and directed by Leos Carax (Holy Motors), and the currently-untitled Sparks documentary directed by Edgar Wright (Baby Driver, Hot Fuzz).

October 2020 European tour dates:

Sunday 11	Norway, Oslo, Rockefeller Music Hall
Monday 12	Sweden, Stockholm, Cirkus
Wednesday 14	Denmark, Copenhagen, The Koncerthuset
Thursday 15	Germany, Berlin, Metropol
Saturday 17	Netherlands, Amsterdam, Paradiso
Sunday 18	Belgium, Brussels, AB Flex
Tuesday 20	France, Paris, Casino de Paris
Wednesday 21	UK, London, Roundhouse
Friday 23	UK, Manchester, Albert Hall (SOLD OUT)
Saturday 24	UK, Glasgow, The Barrowland Ballroom
Monday 26	UK, Belfast, Limelight Club
Tuesday 27	IRE, Dublin, Vicar Street



"some of the most life-affirming and attention-grabbing pop singles of all time....Sparks lyrics reach the parts which other bands wouldn't even think to explore" The Scotsman

SELF-EFFACING LYRICS

I'm not the guy who says,
"I'm the guy"
Always been Self-Effacing

I'm in the room
You won't see me soon
Always been Self-Effacing

Compliments come but
My rule of thumb is
Under duress say
All my success is
All due to them on
Them I depend
And I'm Self-Effacing
And I'm Self-Effacing

My resume is dull and it's gray
Always been Self-Effacing
Want to be known as someone unknown
Always been Self-Effacing

Why can't I pose, wear flashier clothes,
Inflate who I am, a little flim flam
Referring to me, I'm third person me

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And I'm Self-Effacing, and I'm Self-Effacing

Thank you, but I don't merit your praise
Thank you, but I don't merit your gaze
Thank you, but I'm not up to the task
Thank you, but I don't know why you've asked
And I'm Self-Effacing
And I'm Self-Effacing

Close to the vest is what I do best
They'll attest, Self-Effacing
My DNA just won't go away
I remain Self-Effacing
I don't deserve
First, second, or third
A great deal less
I have to confess
My trophy room's bare
But why should I care
And I'm Self-Effacing
And I'm Self-Effacing

Thank you, but I had help to prepare
Thank you, but I was told what to wear
Thank you, but Autotune has been used
Used and perhaps a trifle abused
And I'm Self-Effacing
And I'm Self-Effacing

Self-Effacing
Self-Effacing

Why can't I preen, be part of the scene
Berate those around and act like the clown
Guest DJ a bit, sardonic in wit
'Cause I'm Self-Effacing

Self-Effacing
Self-Effacing

It's not a choice, I'm less a Rolls Royce
And more minivan, you do understand
We're tight, me and you
See things as we do
We're both Self-Effacing
And I'm Self-Effacing

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