

## The Swedish and Japanese alternative pop band The Water Village releases their debut single

The Water Village is releasing their very first single '*The Potato Song*' on Oct 18<sup>th</sup> 2012. The single was recorded when the band traveled over the continent of North America from Cape Cod to California. The result is Japanese pop meeting with Swedish folk music.

'*The Water Village*' is fragile music created with carefully chosen colorful images to grow the imaginary world of The Water Village--a place in the Atlantic Ocean located somewhere between Iceland and Greenland. Once it was a world full of magic and the ancient powers of nature. It existed long before the old mythology in Scandinavia and inspired the Viking Sagas. The Sagas were told over generations from fathers to their sons and daughters and were full of mysterious adventures.

The band decided to explore this mystical place that was remembered by the Vikings and written about in old documents from a thousand years ago. They created a unique mix of classical and electronic music with an acoustic piano, guitars, digital noises and vocal harmonies added on top of each other like geological layers.

The band came about when a Swedish music producer and a Japanese songwriter met in Boston in 2011. Even though they had different nationalities, musical backgrounds and even tastes in food they shared the same musical taste at the core. They chose to write with a minimal approach and a constant desire for inventiveness, recording their footsteps on the sand dunes of Cape Cod, the brutal winter winds of Colorado, and even the voices of astronauts captured from a radio transmission. The melodies are inspired by traditional Swedish folk songs and the tones of old Japanese instruments. It is a magical collaboration of experimental sounds from two different cultures.

Once you step into the world of The Water Village you will gladly wonder around to discover astonishing surprises every time you listen to the songs.

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