

# CAGE THE ELEPHANT ANNOUNCE *SOCIAL CUES*

Fifth Studio Album Out April 19th Via RCA Records

Watch Video for First Single [“Ready To Let Go”](#)  
Directed by Matt Shultz



(January 31, 2019) Today, **Cage The Elephant** announce the release of their fifth studio album, ***Social Cues***, out April 19th via RCA Records. Produced by John Hill (Santigold, Florence + The Machine, Portugal. The Man, tUnE-yArDs), the album was recorded at Battle Tapes Recording, Blackbird Studio and Sound Emporium in Nashville and The Village Recording Studio in Los Angeles, mixed by Tom Elmhirst and mastered by Randy Merrill in New York City. *Social Cues* is the follow up to their GRAMMY®-winning studio album *Tell Me I'm Pretty*. The album is available for [pre-order](#) today. Today the band also share the first single from the forthcoming record, the deceptively upbeat “Ready To Let Go” with a video directed by lead singer Matt Shultz. Cage The Elephant have had 7 Billboard #1 singles with 11 singles landing in the Billboard Top 10 and digitally have a combined 1.5 billion streams worldwide.

## [WATCH THE VIDEO HERE](#)

The majority of the material on *Social Cues* was written during the unravelling of Shultz's relationship. In order to make sense of such a difficult experience, he explored the hidden recesses of his psyche, creating characters to tell different parts of his personal story. He explains, "it can be a vehicle to act out things that are hard to confront." He went on to say, "when I'm creating, I try to put myself in a reactive state of improvisational thought. I let images just arise in my mind and wait for it to evoke an emotional response and then when it does, I know I'm on to something. I was watching a lot of Fassbinder films, like *World on a Wire* and *The Bitter Tears of Petra von Kant*. I was thinking about their beauty coupled with the graphic surrealism of Aronofsky."

Deeply inspired by punk music, brothers Matt and Brad Shultz began playing music in high school with fellow students Jared Champion and Daniel Tichenor. Shortly after forming the band, they made the bold move to London to begin their career. Their self-titled debut album gained them international attention, catapulting them up the Billboard Alternative and Rock charts and achieving Platinum certification. Cage the Elephant has released three additional studio albums - 2011's *Thank You, Happy Birthday*, the Gold-certified *Melophobia* and the GRAMMY®-winning *Tell Me I'm Pretty*. At radio, Cage The Elephant holds the record for the most #1 Alternative songs of any artist this decade. Their most recent release was their expansive live album, *Unpeeled*, which found the band performing stripped down and backed by a string quartet and a choir. Based in Nashville, Cage The Elephant is vocalist Matt Shultz, rhythm guitarist Brad Shultz, drummer Jared Champion, bassist Daniel Tichenor, lead guitarist Nick Bockrath and keyboardist Matthan Minster.

Cage The Elephant will headline Shaky Knees festival in Atlanta on May 4th. More 2019 dates will be announced soon.



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**TRACK LISTING:**

1. Broken Boy
2. Social Cues
3. Black Madonna
4. Night Running (Cage The Elephant, Beck)
5. Skin and Bones
6. Ready To Let Go
7. House of Glass
8. Love's the Only Way
9. The War is Over
10. Dance Dance
11. What I'm Becoming
12. Tokyo Smoke
13. Goodbye

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