

SAM SMITH & NORMANI
“DANCING WITH A STRANGER (ACOUSTIC)”
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February 15, 2019 — (Hollywood, CA) Today **Sam Smith** and **Normani** release an acoustic version of “**Dancing With A Stranger**.” Listen here: <http://samsmith.world/DWASAcoustic>.

A departure from the sultry, R’n’B infused original, the acoustic version swaps pulsing bass and dreamy pads for heartfelt keys and subtle, dramatic strings as **Smith** and **Normani** lament their previous relationships while searching for someone new.

Released earlier this month, “**Dancing With A Stranger**” has already racked up over 175 million cumulative streams worldwide while the [official video](#) is approaching 30 million views. Hailing it as a “Song You Need to Know,” *Rolling Stone* described it as “deliciously retro” and noted, “Their soulful, understated delivery suggests a moody narrative of two people looking to get an ex off their mind, falling into the arms of someone exciting, nameless and new.” Calling it “one of the first genuinely great songs of 2019,” *Idolator* noted, “they expertly capture the frustration and loneliness of heartbreak, bottling it and presenting it as something both deeply personal and infinitely relatable.” *Out* said “**Dancing With A Stranger**” is “a Perfect Breakup Anthem.” *Entertainment Weekly* observed, “Sam Smith and Normani have teamed up to soundtrack your weekend festivities.” *Billboard* said, “They’re a smouldering combo, and they’ve delivered something fiery with ‘Dancing With A Stranger’...”

“**Dancing With A Stranger**” is the first new music from **Smith** in 2019 and follows his summer 2018 global hit with **Calvin Harris**, “Promises.” **Smith** will perform with **Harris** on February 20 at the BRIT

Awards, which will be live streamed on YouTube. Already a three-time BRIT winner, **Smith** is nominated in the British Male Solo Artist category this year. He has won four GRAMMY® awards, an Oscar, a Golden Globe, three Billboard Music Awards, a BET Award and six MOBO Awards, among others.

Since the release of his 2014 debut album, *In The Lonely Hour*, **Smith** has sold over 20 million album equivalent units worldwide. His sophomore album, *The Thrill Of It All*, debuted at No. 1 on the *Billboard* 200 and also topped the charts in the U.K, Ireland, New Zealand, Norway, Sweden, the Netherlands and Belgium. *Rolling Stone* awarded *The Thrill Of It All* four stars and hailed **Smith** as “one of the mightiest, most expressive singers of his generation.”

Normani launched her solo career last year with her debut solo single “Love Lies” with **Khalid**. “Love Lies” soared to #1 at Top 40 Radio and went double platinum in the U.S. “Love Lies” was the first single **Normani** released following her global success with multi-platinum group **Fifth Harmony**. Since then, she has gone on to release a number of new tracks including two songs with **Calvin Harris** and her recent single, “Waves” feat. **6LACK**. **Normani** has also recently collaborated with **Quavo** and **Kehlani**. She is currently working on her debut solo album. This March will see her join **Ariana Grande** on the North American leg of The Sweetener World tour.



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