

## Jake Ybarra Conjures Magic With Something In The Water

South Carolina Singer/Songwriter's Debut Album Available April 7

NASHVILLE, TN, UNITED STATES, March 3, 2023 /EINPresswire.com/ -- lake Ybarra's first full-length album, SOMETHING IN THE WATER, a coalescence of nature, nurture, influence, and observation will be available April 7. The well-paced project resonates with emotion and insightful storytelling. From a sense of yearning - for life, for love and for understanding - to a celebratory joy at rekindled love, demons chased, and lives well lived, Jake plumbs the hidden corners of the heart. Ybarra's rich, rumbling baritone is magical ... hear the catch in his voice and feel your own heart break; "hear" the smirk and feel the smile. There are hints of humor,



Something In The Water album cover

legions of loss, and heaps of honest reflection in this diverse collection. Influenced by the "church" music on which he was raised and secular icons Guy Clark, John Prine, James McMurtry, and Townes Van Zandt, the characters in Jake's songs are often reminiscent of those found in the

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A great discovery - akin to John Prine's first offering and Paul Siebel's 'Woodsmoke And Oranges'.

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writings of his favorite authors, George Saunders, Stephen Vincent Benet, and Ernest Hemingway.

Recorded at The Castle Studio in Nashville and produced by William Gawley (Taylor Rae, Taylor Hicks, Taylor McCall), SOMETHING IN THE WATER was engineered and mixed by Bryce Roberts (Lady A, Florida Georgia Line, Hootie & The Blowfish). The project brought together notable pickers, including David Flint on acoustic guitar/electric

guitar/mandolin (Highway 101, Billy Montana); Dow Tomlin on bass (Wynonna, Brooks & Dunn,

Lee Ann Womack); Dane Bryant on piano/organ (Dolly Parton, Olivia Newton John, Clint Black), and Billy Thomas on drums/backing vocals (Vince Gill, Willie Nelson, Miranda Lambert). Ybarra played acoustic guitar throughout.

Two streaming tracks and their companion music videos have already been released from the album. The color-drenched "Late November" video aired on high-profile outlets, including CMT.com, IndiMusic TV and This Week in Americana. The Rockabilly-tinged "A



Whole Lot To Remember" inspired a striking black & white video which premiered on <u>Americana-uk.com</u>. Other highlights include the reflective "No Reason Or Right," which takes the listener inside a 100-year-old love story when a homeowner discovers letters written long ago, while "Long Winter" captures a stir-crazy day in the life of a couple as they strive to avoid conflict. Ybarra's first radio single, the guitar-driven, Roots/Rocker "BloodFire" will issue later this month. The track, musically edgy and lyrically pointed, is an ode to the devil inside us all. Fans can presave SOMETHING IN THE WATER now.

Track List (All songs written by Jake Ybarra)

- 1: Late November
- 2: BloodFire
- 3: Savannah's Song
- 4: A Whole Lot To Remember
- 5: Long Winter
- 6: Call Me By My Name
- 7: Something In The Water
- 8. Disappear
- 9: No Reason Or Right
- 10: Silly Little Things

Stay social and learn more on Jake's website, Facebook, Instagram, TikTok, and YouTube.

## ABOUT JAKE

Born in Texas but raised in Greenville, South Carolina, Jake started off singing in choirs as a boy, then playing in Rock bands as a teen. With a classically trained pianist for a mother, a semiprofessional horn player for a dad, and a couple of guitar-playing brothers, it was only natural that Ybarra (pronounced e-BAR-a) eventually found music in his future. Originally dreaming of a career in baseball, an injury forced Jake onto a different path at the age of 15. After high school, he moved on to college at Furman University, where he earned a degree in Political Science and Government, which included a legislative internship at the European Parliament in Brussels. After graduating, Jake got serious about songwriting. Inspired by Townes Van Zandt, Guy Clark, James McMurtry, John Prine and Lucinda Williams, he turned his full attention to creating music. In 2020, Ybarra recorded his "pandemic project," a four-song EP called Basement Songs. That effort earned him a dedicated local following and landed him a management deal and the opportunity to record SOMETHING IN THE WATER, which drops April 7. An avid runner, Jake also enjoys reading, cooking, and hanging out with friends. He currently lives in Nashville, TN.

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