

New Music Reflects Social Justice Issues

Singer - Songwriter Brooke Josephson Pulls Off Perspective-Shifting Six-Track Collection that Powerfully Reflects Contemporary Social Justice Issues

NEW YORK, NEW YORK, USA, June 27, 2022 /EINPresswire.com/ -- There is something beautiful about artists whose intuitive insight into the human condition opens them up to creating works that truly meet the moment. With the release of her infectious emotionally impactful third EP 'Showin' Up', [singer-songwriter Brooke Josephson](#) pulls off the feat of creating a perspective-shifting six track collection that powerfully reflects the Zeitgeist of the pandemic era and contemporary social justice issues.



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Ironically, she composed most of the set's five original songs prior to 2020, without the foresight that her soulful pop/ rock artistry would become more of a collective culture necessity than simply an intimate window into her own life. With initial recording sessions taking place at [Zac Brown's](#) Southern Ground studio in Nashville and later dates completing the process after she was vaccinated in 2021, Showin' Up makes the first time Brooke has taken the reins as producer of one of her own projects. From the material to her vocal performance, the vibe and overall sonic aesthetic, the EP showcases a newfound self-confidence and development as a forward-thinking, visionary artist.

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Born and raised in the small town of Warsaw, Indiana, Brooke's earliest musical memories came from singing songs like "Jesus Loves Me" in church and at her Christian

school. She learned to play piano on a \$200 red mahogany upright and her mom found her a

voice teacher at age 13 to cultivate her talents further. While raised in a religious home where secular music was not allowed, she has a fond memory at age eight of attending a friend's birthday party where she heard Madonna's "Material Girl" for the first time.

Hooked on pop music from that point on, she became a huge fan of that song's producer Nile Rodgers and grew up inspired by everyone from Alanis Morissette and Annie Lennox to Brandi Carlile. She chased her dream of becoming a singer and actress to New York where she started in theater and later worked on "All My Children," "Bones," Disney's "Enchanted" (on whose set she met her now husband), NBC's "Good Girls" and other shows. Brooke later earned her Masters in Songwriting from Berklee College of Music.

'Showin' Up' is Josephson's first self-produced release. The EP is mixed and mastered by Grammy and Oscar-winning engineer Brendan Dekora (Paul McCartney, Foo Fighters, Anita Baker) and features such acclaimed musicians as guitarist Tim Pierce (Goo Goo Dolls, Crowded House, Phil Collins) and drummer Seth Rausch (Keith Urban, Sheryl Crow, Little Big Town). The EP was recorded at Zac Brown's Southern Ground Studio in Nashville.

"Rainbow", the first track/ video from the EP, a decidedly celestial video and uplifting song feature a message of positive empowerment to the global community. The video also showcases Josephson's young daughter Shira, an established children's activist, [Junior Ambassador for Children's Hospital Los Angeles](#). Inspired by social challenges her daughter faced, of "Rainbow," Josephson explains, "So I wrote



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my daughter and anyone else struggling with self-acceptance, “You’re a Rainbow, a rainbow babe, and there’s no shame in shining when they rain on your parade...” and the rest of the song grew from there”.

“It’s been a long, fascinating life journey getting to the point where I can be as honest with myself as I am on the songs of Showin’ Up, and I’m grateful that the songs have deeper universal implications that so many can relate to in their day to day lives,” she says.

“When I listen to the EP, I feel like it’s raw and honest, has grit and I can feel the emotions to my core. It may sound funny to say, but I’m proud of it because it makes me feel comfortably uncomfortable. There are so many joys that have gone along with the learning, and I’m enjoying the growth process and sharing my truth with others.”

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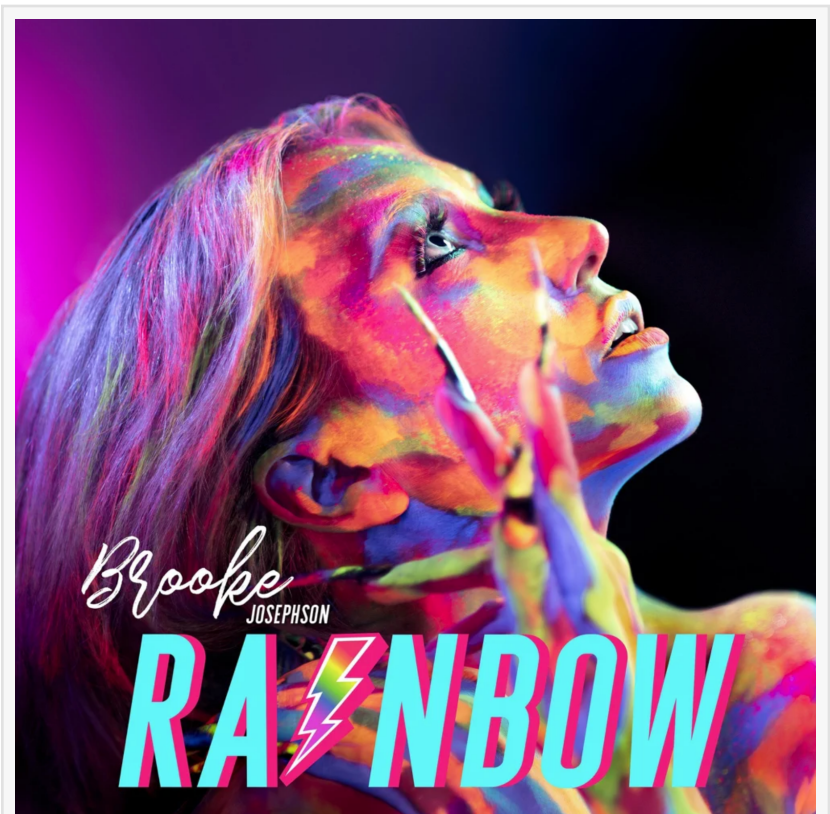
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