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Best Laid Plans - Where

Nick LaRiviere and the

We Go (2022)

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August 11, 2022 Claudia O Comments Contemporary Pop, indie soul, soft rock We all want to do something with our lives that leave some form of mark on the world. This desire has been picked up by Nick LaRiviere and

the Best Laid Plans and turned into their soulful

wanting to do something worth remembering,

stating what they want to achieve in the time

single 'Where We Go'. Through the piano-driven track, the band offers up a personal take on

Taking a more soulful turn than the band's usual energetic sound, it showcases a wonderful side of their music. Nick LaRiviere (vocals, trombone), Miguel Valdes (trumpet), Barrie Sorensen (saxophone), Kelly Fawcett (guitar), Attila Fias (keys, vocals), Louis Rudner (bass) and Alex Campbell (drum) form a versatile band that is able to unleash everything from soul to New Orleans party music.

Together, they get you bopping to their sound

while riding waves of emotion, whether sombre or ecstatic.

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Where We Go
Nick La Riviere and The Best Laid ...

The piano line that opens 'Where We Go' grabs

your attention with its unique sound. There is a

touch of contemporary pop and soft rock to the

piano line as it sinks its talons into your brain.

music, the drums shuffle lightly to add texture

to the track. This texture has you tapping to the

piano. Through this flow, you feel an interesting

between hopeful and melancholic. As the horns

enter, they continue this complicated emotional

hit, leaving you ready to grab onto your dreams,

while feeling the slight twinges of uncertainty

and sadness. With each new instrumental line

rhythm while still riding the movement of the

wash of emotion that seems to toe the line

As the piano line draws you further into the

that enters the melody, the blend of emotion is enhanced and this works really well with the lyrics. As you are slowly filled with the emotions of the melody, LaRiviere's vocals enter with an honest confession of wanting to reach for something more. Through the lyrics, he imparts his hopes and desires for the future, only to temper them with the uncertainty of whether he has what it takes to achieve them. This is a balance of emotion that most people are familiar with and can easily relate to. As the single continues, his performance slides with a soulful vibe into the complicated emotions of the melody. While touching on those emotions, he brings a sense of understanding to them as his performance gives voice to the thoughts that create them. While the lyrics are a personal take on wanting to achieve your dreams, there is a universality to them that hits everyone who listens.

Through the soulful blend of emotion in 'Where

We Go, Nick LaRiviere and the Best Laid Plans

uncertainty of whether you can. This blend of

hope and melancholy is amazing as it shines

through both the melody and vocals. The band

invoke these emotions and the wash of feelings

Find out more about Nick LaRiviere and the Best

Laid Plans on their website, Facebook, Twitter,

takes you on a journey into the thoughts that

that churn through you.

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