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**The Artisanals -- Full Bio: (for a short bio, please see below)**

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Also worthy of note, the Artisanals recorded some songs at 432 Hz--the frequency of the universe. Delaware isn’t superstitious, but he’s aware of the ethereal bond between human beings and the cosmos that surrounds us. “You have to be awake in this life,” he says, “There’s a lot of subtle clues--if you’re awake, you can read into them and know where to go.” It’s this perceptive attention to detail that makes Literally, Anywhere stand out.

A native of South Dakota, Delaware’s formative years took him all over the United States, and he remains something of a nomad today. In college, he found himself skipping classes to write and record music, and eventually dropped out to pursue music full-time. Nashville was the first stop on this journey--as it is for so many others--but after only a month in the Music City, he was disillusioned with the dog-eat-dog industry-types and relocated to Albuquerque, NM. Living in a trailer house, he would eventually set his sights on Austin, TX, another legendary music town, where he met Luke Mitchell (The High Divers) from Charleston. The two hit it off and Delaware felt a calling to join the budding music scene in the coastal Carolina town. The transition wasn’t easy, as he was living paycheck-to-paycheck in Austin and had no money to finance another move. Ultimately, divine intervention struck when a thunderstorm came through Austin--a tree fell on his car, and he was able to file an insurance claim and use the lump sum to move to Charleston. He recalls it was “the only tree that fell down in the whole goddamn city.”

Years later, having enlisted guitarist Clay Houle, drummer Josh Hoover (who studied drum performance at Indiana University), and a slew of other Charleston music luminaries, the Artisanals are poised to reach the Americana masses with their debut LP. Literally, Anywhere is the culmination of the collective’s years of unique individual experiences writing, recording, touring, and living life one day at a time. “Inspiration is like an invisible ghost...it’s your friend, and it kind of takes you over. You’re a conduit for it...that’s what musicians are; these modern-day shamans that take inspiration and give it form through song. It’s a lot like magick.”

Focused on writing new material and hitting the road hard, rest assured the Artisanals are going to continue to “Pound the Rock” in 2018 and beyond. Go forth, friends.

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**Additional Videos -**

The Artisanals Live at Tricky Falls, El Paso - <https://youtu.be/GkBOBAcIIc4>

*Literally, Anywhere* EP on Youtube - <https://youtu.be/14lKivk33rA>

The Artisanals Live at Athfest 2017 - <https://youtu.be/i0PVXxIoVdQ>

“Angel 42” official lyric video - <https://youtu.be/W0cmelI8QtA>

**The Artisanals Links:**

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**Last.fm:** [.last.fm/music/The+Artisanals](https://www.last.fm/music/The+Artisanals)

**Band Camp:** [theartisanals.bandcamp.com/releases](https://theartisanals.bandcamp.com/releases)

**What The Press Are Saying:**

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**The Artisanal Album Release:**

*Literally, Anywhere EP* - 2017 - <https://open.spotify.com/artist/7w1f12HqlmmiZpdt7IVvel?si=Eg1M2eLTTLqIqbuj4wyqEg>