



Woodkid & Nils Frahm

Ellis

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1. Winter Morning I
2. Winter Morning II (with **Robert de Niro**)

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Directed by renowned artist **JR, ELLIS** is a lens through which the story of Ellis Island is captured and retold by the words of one immigrant.

Starring **Robert De Niro** and featuring the visually arresting **Unframed** art installation, which inhabits the abandoned Ellis Island hospital complex, the short film takes you on a compelling journey through the crumbling hallways of what once stood as the gateway to America.

Entwined with this unfolding narrative is a score composed by multi-talented **Woodkid**, performed and co-written by **Nils Frahm**. Whilst the delicate piano motifs of *Winter Morning I* culminate in a crescendo of strings, it's atop the harmonium swells on the B-side that De Niro's narration evokes the presence of those who shaped modern America so clearly.

There's perhaps not been a more relevant time for this story and its themes to be brought to life in such a special way, with all proceeds from this release going towards the **Sea Watch** initiative (sea-watch.org), a non-profit charity dedicated to the protection and rescue of civilian refugees.

Following a screening as part of Nils's Barbican Weekender, the **ELLIS** score will be out July 8th and available in CD, LP and digital format.

ABOUT JR:

JR is the pseudonym of a French artist, director and photographer whose identity is still unknown, but who has been described as the "French Banksy". He received attention and acclaim for his enormous black and white portraits pasted around the streets of the world and has continued to question cultural boundaries and misconceptions through art. His *Unframed* art project is featured prominently in the film as well as the album booklet. May 29th will see JR and Nils Frahm collaborate again when Nils and Erased Tapes peer **Ólafur Arnalds** take part in his takeover of the world famous Louvre museum in Paris.

ABOUT WOODKID:

Fellow countryman **Yoann Lemoine** aka Woodkid is a French songwriter and composer, director and graphic designer who has carved out a varied and highly successful career across many mediums. In 2013 he released his debut album *The Golden Age* that is built on percussion, strings, brass, piano, programming and a strong but sensitive voice. As an altruistic visionary with a modern and powerful solo project, he has also collaborated with great artists such as Lana Del Rey, Pharrell Williams, Hans Zimmer, Jonás Cuarón and most recently with JR and Nils Frahm.

ABOUT NILS FRAHM:

Nils Frahm works as an accomplished composer and producer from his Berlin-based Durton Studio. His unconventional approach to an age-old instrument, played contemplatively and intimately, has won him many fans around the world. For a musician this early in his career, Frahm displays an incredibly developed sense of control and restraint in his work, catching the ear of many fans.