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Reunited Polvo Open To More Shows, New Album



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Recently reunited indie stalwarts Polvo are open to the possibility to further shows and even a new record, vocalist/guitarist David Brylawski tells Billboard. The band had previously announced it was reuniting for a limited series of shows, including a performance at All Tomorrow's Parties in England next month.

When asked whether the band will play faithful versions of its often-intricate songs, Brylawski said Polvo won't be sticking to every single original time signature. "We didn't go the route of relearning everything chord for chord. We decided to rebuild the songs, and while they retain the essence of the old songs, some are pretty different. It's the updated version 2.0 of Polvo," he says.

Polvo, which split in 1998, has been asked to reunite on a number of occasions, but the band decided to say yes to ATP and throw in some additional shows. "We're only scheduled to do a handful of shows right now, and since we're old and have jobs, I can't see us jumping in the van and hitting the road," he says. "But we are sort of seeing what happens right now in terms of developing future plans."

Brylawski says Polvo is also open to making a new record, saying, "We are keeping an open mind, and we have a few songs already written. It's hard because our songwriting process takes a really long time, and we live in different places. But we'll see how the new songs work and go from there."

Despite its decade-long break, Brylawski says Polvo feels insulated from the dramatic changes that have taken place in the music industry.

"Our label, Touch and Go, is the same as it was back in the day," he says. "The Internet and music blogs are the biggest, most obvious difference, but they almost feel the same way zines did in the '90s."

On May 6, Touch & Go will reissue vinyl editions of Polvo's "Exploded Drawing" and "Shapes" albums. The package will come with coupons good for free MP3 downloads of the music.

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