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MOONBEAM PARADE Guilia Millanta (Ugly Cat Music) *****

Here is (Julia's) fifth album. *Moonbeam Parade* is raw, powerful and beautiful, often all at the same time- some seriously deep stuff.

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"The best and scariest thing about Giulia Millanta is not just that she is truly a tightrope walker herself, but that she continually pulls you out there with her with melodies, singing, stories and imagery" says writer/ Sirius XM deejay Dave Marsh. Some of Austin's best musicians helped out- Charlie Sexton, along with members of Giant, The Dixie Chicks, Robert Palmer's band, and more. It's a deep, sometimes dark record that looks at life in ways that may make you feel a bit uncomfortable.

Millanta is playing electric guitar for the first time, and the disc has a loose, live feel. "All the tracks were recorded live with the band" she says, "(and) I ended up keeping all my vocal takes except one." She describes the songs as being about "getting lost and then finding a way out. It's about failure and re-birth, not being scared of strong emotions." If you're into Lucinda Williams, you *gotta* check this out.

ESSENTIAL: Shaky Legs, R&R Suicide, Gun Shy, Not The Mirror (instrumental)