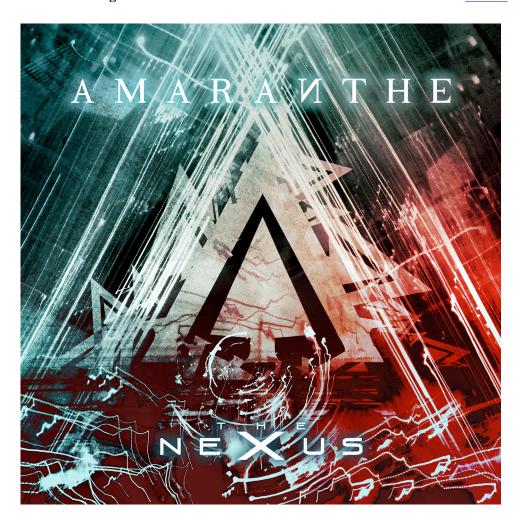
AMARANTHE Confirms Release of Brand New Studio Album, 'The Nexus' – Hitting Stores on March 26th in the U.S. and March 25th Internationally via Spinefarm Records

Brand New Single and Music Video for 'The Nexus' Available NOW on VEVO



Fast-rising modern metal sextet **AMARANTHE** will release their sophomore album, *The Nexus*, internationally on March 25th and in the United States on March 26th via Spinefarm Records.

Produced by Jacob Hansen (whose credits include **Volbeat**, **Dreamshade** & **Ginger Wildheart**, and who worked on **AMARANTHE**'s 2011 self-titled debut), *The Nexus* sees the Swedish/Danish outfit further honing a musical style that blends cutting-edge melodic metal with soaring pop melodies, topped off by a unique three-vocal attack.

Says guitarist and band co-founder **Olof Morck**, "The moment has come to let loose *The Nexus* on an unsuspecting world! This time we went all the way with our futuristic dream-nightmare - a nocompromise vision steeped in deep contrast between the mechanically ultra-heavy and shimmering

serene melody. *The Nexus* is everything we dreamed about doing with our debut album; we laboured to make this offering as diverse as it is direct and catchy... and remember, no-one can be told what *The Nexus* is – you have to hear it for yourself!"

A new single/video – title track, *The Nexus* – became available from all usual outlets/platforms on January 25th. The clip has been directed by Patric Ullaeus, who has worked with names such as **In Flames**, **Arch Enemy** and **Dimmu Borgir**; he was also responsible for **AMARANTHE** video for 'The Hunger', the lead single from the band's highly successful debut, now at a whopping 3.5 million YouTube views (and counting). Watch the new video on VEVO now at this link.

Olof also states, "We wanted the new video to have a decidedly cinematic feel, in the vein of a Hollywood action movie, with a slightly darker angle than our previous promos. We wanted lots of extras & explosive action scenes, and we knew that **Patric** was just the man for the job!"

In Support of *Album One*, which made an international impact right from the start, hitting the charts in several countries, the band played shows around the world, mixing special guest spots (opening for **Hammerfall**, **Kamelot** & more) with headline outings and festival appearances; the latter included Loud Park in Japan (where the album has sold in excess of 30,000 copies, topping the Japanese import charts ahead of **Lady Gaga!**), Bloodstock in the UK, ProgPower in the US and Wacken in Germany...

In Sweden, meanwhile, on the back of unswerving support from Bandit Radio, who presented them with the 'Breakthrough Artist' award (one of several on the **AMARANTHE** mantlepiece), the band played a triumphant homecoming show in August 2012, appearing in front of a 10,000-strong crowd at Liseberg Amusement Park in Gothenburg.

All of which means that *The Nexus* (the single, the video, the album) is a *much-anticipated* arrival, but with new tracks such as 'Afterlife', 'Invincible', 'Mechanical Illusion' and likely second single 'Burn With Me' showing just how effective the band's hybrid style can be, 2013 should see **AMARANTHE** building spectacularly on the international plaudits and successes of the past two years; already, the six have an extensive on-the-road plan locked into place, starting with a run of dates in Finland, followed by a co-headline European tour with Finnish metallers **Stratovarius** in March; this will see the band visiting 13 different countries, from Slovakia through to Spain, then the spring/summer will be spent at a variety of major European festivals – Sweden Rock, Nova Rock in Austria, Graspop in Belgium, Tuska in Finland, Metaltown & Getaway in Sweden, and more, with the Full Metal Cruise (leaving from Hamburg, Germany) lined up for May.

UK headline dates are currently being lined up for early spring, the band's fifth visit to UK shores, and the details of *all* confirmed shows can be found at: **www.amaranthe.se**

AMARANTHE are: **Andy** – vocals, **Jake E** – vocals, **Elize** – vocals, **Olof Mörck** – guitars & keys, **Morten Løwe Sørensen** – drums, **Johan Andreassen** – bass.

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