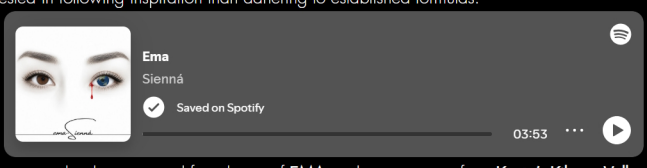
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SIENNÁ EMA



Some albums are created to entertain, while others invite listeners into a world where sound becomes a language for emotions, memories, and spiritual discovery. **Sienná's** nine-track experimental electronic album, **EMA**, belongs firmly to the latter category. Inspired by the Japanese tradition of ema, wooden plaques used to express wishes and prayers, the project explores the delicate relationship between human imagination, nature, and the unseen forces that shape our inner lives. Rather than following predictable musical patterns, **Sienná** builds an experience around curiosity and personal interpretation, allowing each composition to unfold like a thought waiting to be understood.

Born in Kyoto and now based in Oslo, Sienná brings a distinctive international perspective to her seventh full-length album. Following **Wa-Kei-Sei-Jyaku in 2023, EMA** further demonstrates her willingness to experiment beyond conventional electronic boundaries. Her musical world draws from cinematic soundscapes, ambient textures, glitch, drum & bass, and Japanese traditional influences, creating a rich contrast between delicate atmosphere and restless energy. Elements of house, jazz, and classical music also inform her broader artistic vocabulary, giving the project room to shift between hypnotic rhythms and moments of contemplative stillness. Each stylistic transition feels like another opportunity to explore the unexpected, reflecting an artist more interested in following inspiration than adhering to established formulas.



Nature provides the emotional foundation of **EMA**, with experiences from **Kyoto's Kibune Valley** and the Italian island of Ischia inspiring Sienná's creative process. Solitary walks and moments of observation become starting points for compositions that translate fleeting impressions into electronic expression. This approach gives the album an intimate quality, as though listeners are encountering fragments of the artist's private reflections through layers of synthesized sound. Her philosophy of embracing imperfection adds another compelling dimension, challenging the expectation that digital music must always sound polished, predictable, or mathematically precise. Instead, irregularities and unexpected turns become part of the creative identity, reinforcing the value of human intuition in an era increasingly shaped by artificial intelligence and automated production.

EMA is an invitation to experience electronic music through a more reflective lens. Sienná combines cultural heritage, environmental inspiration, and adventurous production to create a body of work that values discovery over immediate gratification. The album's appeal lies in its openness, allowing different listeners to find their own meanings within its shifting atmospheres and unconventional structures. Rather than offering easy answers, it encourages a deeper appreciation of the moments that often pass unnoticed: a change in the wind, the silence between sounds, or a thought that appears during a solitary journey. With **EMA, Sienná** transforms these subtle encounters into an imaginative musical statement, reminding us that sometimes the most meaningful expressions begin with simply paying attention.

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