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## The Coral recruit James and Ian Skelly's grandad for new album 'Coral Island'


"We'd like to present 'The Great Muriarty'"


By [Damian Jones](#) | 25th February 2021




The Coral's 'The Great Muriarty' Credit: Press

The Coral have revealed to the NME that the grandad of frontman and drummer James and Ian Skelly has joined the band as guest vocalist on their forthcoming double album 'Coral Island'.

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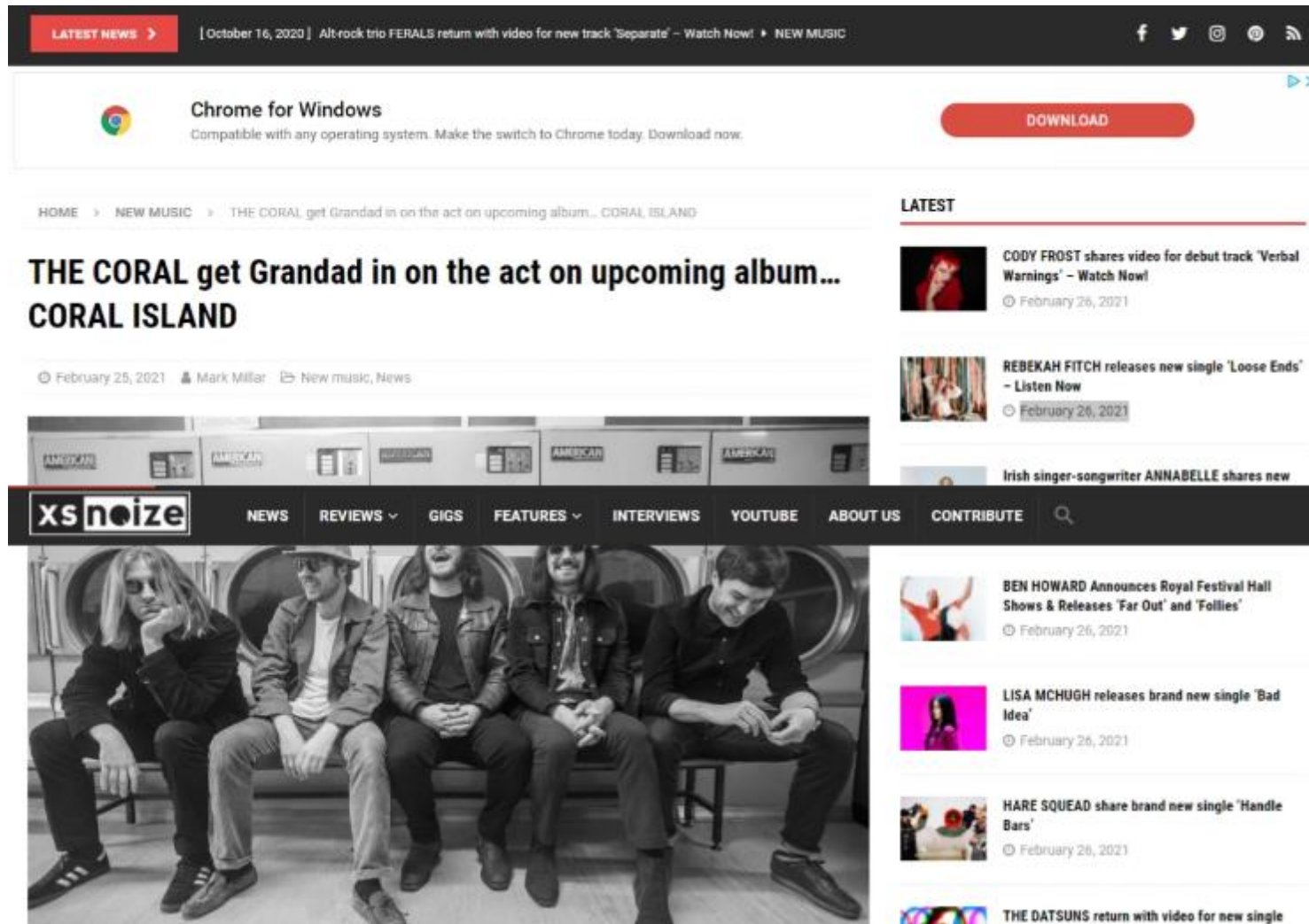
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The screenshot shows the XS Noize website interface. At the top, there is a navigation bar with 'LATEST NEWS' and a date of 'October 16, 2020'. Below this is a Chrome for Windows advertisement. The main article title is 'THE CORAL get Grandad in on the act on upcoming album... CORAL ISLAND', dated February 25, 2021, by Mark Millar. The article features a large image of the band Coral sitting on a bench in front of a row of American Express lockers. A dark navigation bar below the image contains the 'xsnoize' logo and menu items: NEWS, REVIEWS, GIGS, FEATURES, INTERVIEWS, YOUTUBE, ABOUT US, and CONTRIBUTE. On the right side, a 'LATEST' section lists several other music-related articles with their respective dates.


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## Grandad is guest vocalist on new Coral album

By Richard Garnett | [@gamster](#)  
Audience and Content Editor



85-year-old Ian Murray is guest vocalist on the Coral's new album

Media Outlet: Total Entertainment

Date: 26 February 2021

Link: <https://www.totalentertainment.com/music/the-coral-get-grandad-in-on-the-great-muriarty/>



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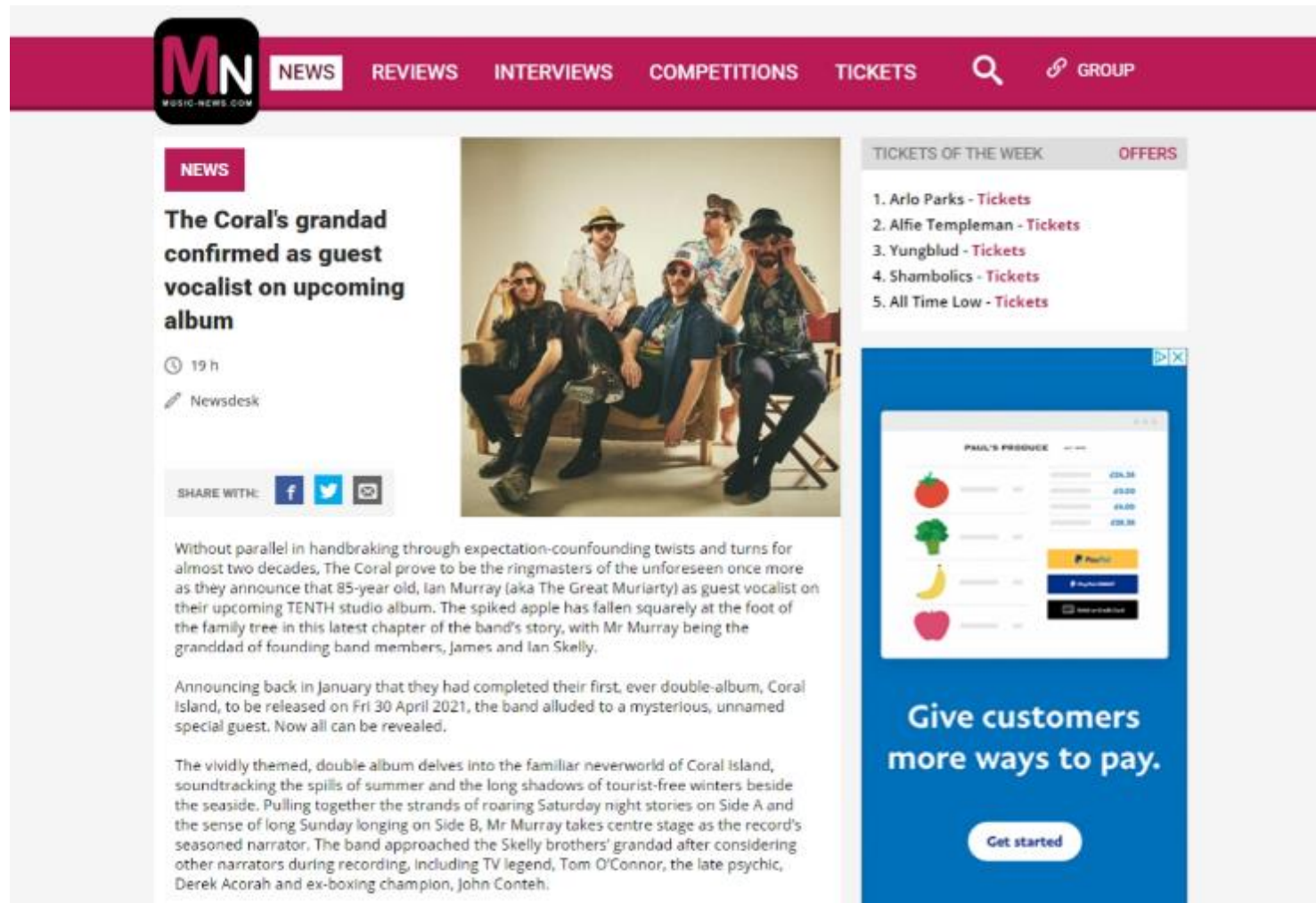
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### The Coral's grandad confirmed as guest vocalist on upcoming album

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Announcing back in January that they had completed their first, ever double-album, Coral Island, to be released on Fri 30 April 2021, the band alluded to a mysterious, unnamed special guest. Now all can be revealed.

The vividly themed, double album delves into the familiar neverworld of Coral Island, soundtracking the spills of summer and the long shadows of tourist-free winters beside the seaside. Pulling together the strands of roaring Saturday night stories on Side A and the sense of long Sunday longing on Side B, Mr Murray takes centre stage as the record's seasoned narrator. The band approached the Skelly brothers' grandad after considering other narrators during recording, including TV legend, Tom O'Connor, the late psychic, Derek Acorah and ex-boxing champion, John Conteh.

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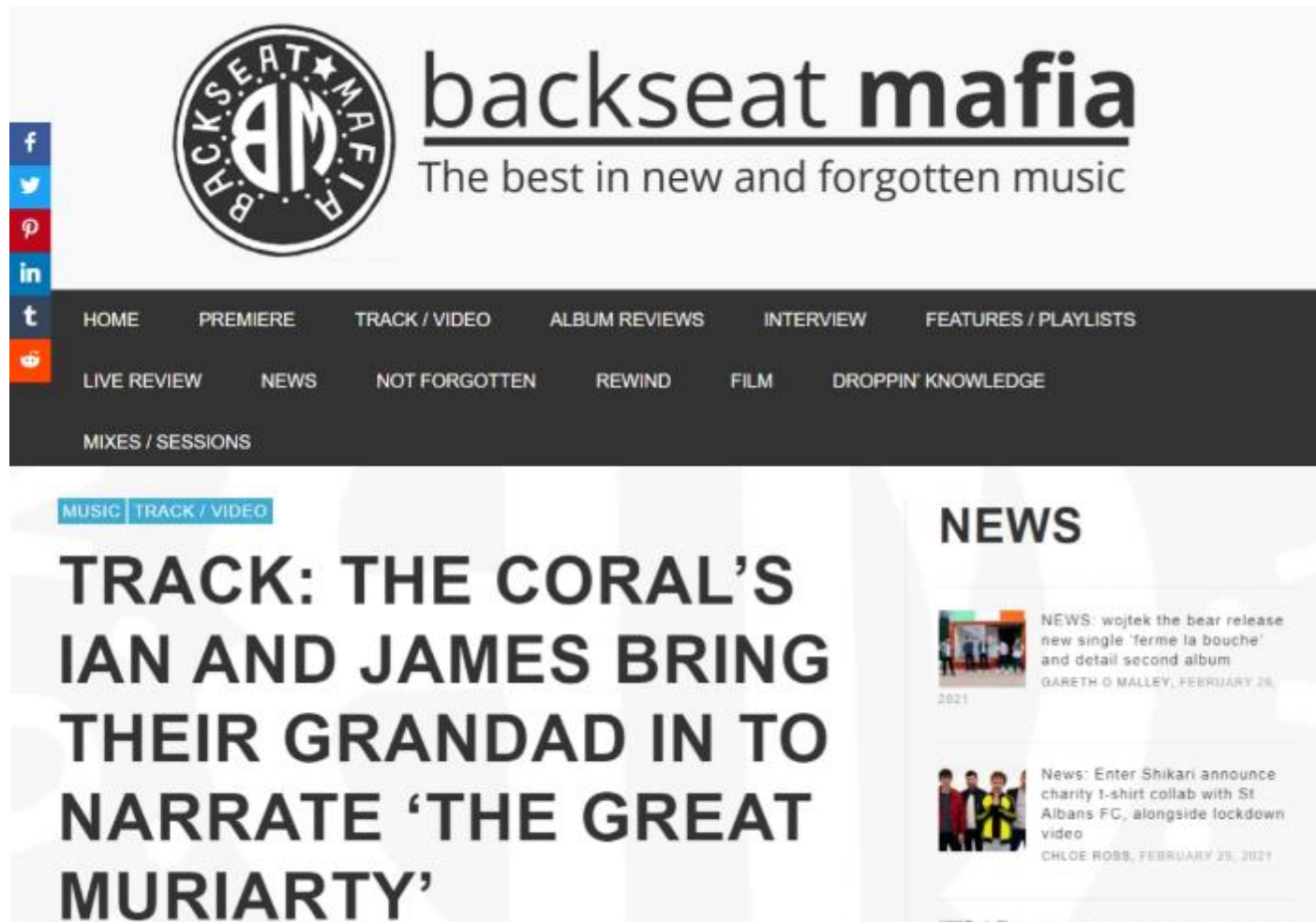
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Media Outlet: Backseat Mafia

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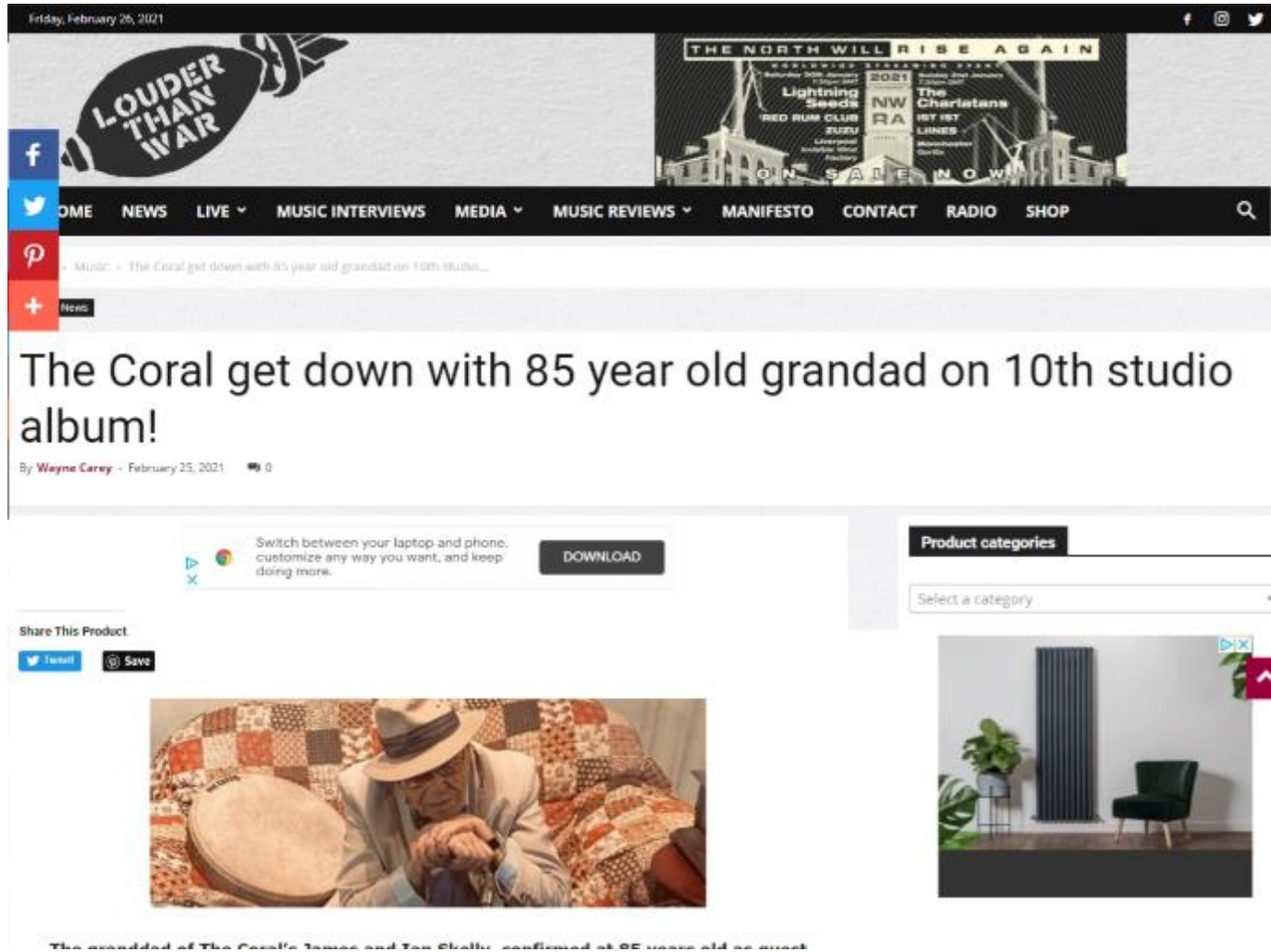


The screenshot shows the homepage of the Backseat Mafia website. At the top left, there are social media icons for Facebook, Twitter, Pinterest, LinkedIn, Tumblr, and YouTube. The main header features the Backseat Mafia logo, a circular emblem with 'BSM' in the center and 'BACKSEAT MAFIA' around the perimeter. To the right of the logo, the text reads 'backseat mafia' in a large, bold, sans-serif font, with 'backseat' in lowercase and 'mafia' in lowercase. Below this, the tagline 'The best in new and forgotten music' is displayed in a smaller font. A dark navigation bar contains the following menu items: HOME, PREMIERE, TRACK / VIDEO, ALBUM REVIEWS, INTERVIEW, FEATURES / PLAYLISTS, LIVE REVIEW, NEWS, NOT FORGOTTEN, REWIND, FILM, DROPPIN' KNOWLEDGE, and MIXES / SESSIONS. The main content area is split into two columns. The left column has a blue header 'MUSIC | TRACK / VIDEO' and a large, bold headline: 'TRACK: THE CORAL'S IAN AND JAMES BRING THEIR GRANDAD IN TO NARRATE 'THE GREAT MURIARTY''. The right column has a blue header 'NEWS' and two news items. The first news item features a small image of a group of people and the text: 'NEWS: wojtek the bear release new single 'ferme la bouche' and detail second album GARETH O MALLEY, FEBRUARY 26, 2021'. The second news item features a small image of three people and the text: 'News: Enter Shikari announce charity t-shirt collab with St Albans FC, alongside lockdown video CHLOE ROSS, FEBRUARY 25, 2021'.

Media Outlet: Louder Than War

Date: 25 February 2021

Link: <https://louderthanwar.com/the-coral-get-down-with-85-year-old-grandad-on-10th-studio-album/>



The screenshot shows a web browser displaying an article on the Louder Than War website. At the top, there is a navigation bar with a logo on the left and a menu on the right. The menu items include HOME, NEWS, LIVE, MUSIC INTERVIEWS, MEDIA, MUSIC REVIEWS, MANIFESTO, CONTACT, RADIO, and SHOP. Below the navigation bar, the article title "The Coral get down with 85 year old grandad on 10th studio album!" is prominently displayed. The author's name, Wayne Carey, and the date, February 25, 2021, are listed below the title. To the right of the article, there is a sidebar with a "Product categories" section and a "Select a category" dropdown menu. Below the article, there is a "Share This Product" section with social media sharing options for Twitter and Save. A large image of an elderly man playing a drum is visible, along with a smaller image of a room interior featuring a green armchair and a plant.

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# The Coral get down with 85 year old grandad on 10th studio album!

By **Wayne Carey** - February 25, 2021



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The granddad of The Coral's James and Tom Skelly, confirmed at 85 years old as guest



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THE Coral have hired their grandfather for their new album.  
James and Ian Skelley's 85-year-old grandad Ian Murray (aka The Great Muriarty) is on board as a narrator for the release of their 10th album, Coral Island, out in April.  
James said: "Our grandad's voice was an obvious choice to say the words none of us can say without a musical instrument in our hands."



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