Review: Kung Fu Academy -Super 8 Flashback

Kung Fu Academy definitely like to keep you on your toes.

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Gyrating through more genres in one song than many bands manage in their career, the Edinburgh four-piece's latest release begins with a guitar rift that wouldn't sound out of place on a Caribbean beach.

And to throw a little more unpredictably on the fire they end it with some towering early 90s vocals. **Bobby Osborne's** voice seamlessly strides on top of **Kung Fu Academy's** funk-powered rhythm section throughout, not allowing the song to dawdle but instilling it with a progressive drive.

Expansive without sounding overdone, 'Super 8 Flashback's highpoint is undobtedly the honey-sweet harmonies spread over its chorus. Blending together like a fine cocktail, the call and response vocals of "You're a ghost that could have been/Tragically you'll always haunt me here/My flashback super 8/Every frame has a picture of you" comes steeped in emotional weight.

And like the best things in life, **Kung Fu Academy** leave you wanting more. Combining finesse with enough kick to make you stand up and take notice is no easy task but one the four-piece pull off expertly. The lead single of their forthcoming EP, expect big things if the rest of the tracks are up to this standard.

Super 8 Flashback is released on Whimsical Records — April 15th 2013

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