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Heading back on the road after the COVID-19 Pandemic, we brought (almost) an hour's worth of new material along with us: *Evolve & Travel* is that music. We're releasing this album on the heels of our tenth year together as a group, and *Evolve & Travel* is a culmination of lessons we learned along the way. From an unlikely group of students who just happened to be in string quartet formation, to an indescribable smush of string quartet, folk band, and singer-songwriter(s), over the years we have grown into ourselves as an ensemble, as composers, and as equal partners in this wild venture that is Invoke.

Evolve & Travel showcases that journey, focusing on the strengths of Karl and Nick as songwriters/composers and letting us as a group completely abandon any semblance of formality and tradition to focus on what makes us Invoke – best friends who make the music they love to hear.

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Prohibition Song:

Oh, the knocks are shaking
up the doorframe here

The manager she tells us to
all clear

“Sorry officer, I can't allow
you in

But there's a crate of
pretty South American gin,

Just around the corner,
hiding in the bin”

Oh, the senators are
calling for some cheer

Some whiskey, blended
wine, and homemade beer

They say, “Don't be
concerned we'll work
around

The laws we've passed,
we'll push the whole thing
down

The guards will let you in
without a sound”

Oh, for every fella workin'
at their still

There's a dozen men like
them who'll pay the bill

They tell us that we can't
afford our homes

That our wives and kids
will soon be pickin' skin &
bones

And we'll end up homeless,
drunk, and all alone

Oh, while I don't believe
we'll all end up in hell

A little fear of fire has
served me well

They tell us that we cannot
save our souls

As if what we drink sinks
deeper than our bones

And if there's only one
thing this has ever shown

Never underestimate what
isn't known

I know where I'm going
I'm paying for it anyway...

Oh, they'll never take me
down or kill my will

While I still got my hands
here on this still

I'll wait it out for years,
they'll drink their fill

Those chubby bastards
high upon their hill

Drinkin' all the booze
while we're all here still...

Oh, another round, and
let's make one thing clear

People of all sorts are
welcome here

Now everybody raise a
glass and pour

Pour one out for hers and
his and theirs and yours

Let's drink tonight behind
this green door...

Alchemy:

Just a form of Alchemy

Lead to gold, the blind to see

Merchant vessel lost her way

Seeking immortality

Can't you see who you were once?

Tell yourself who you'd become?

Was this journey worth the while?

Spoil your memories one by one

Can't you see who you were once?

Tell yourself who you'd become?

You won't be here for a while

After all unsaid and done...

Doorway:

Go now through that
doorway

To the place you had
forgotten

The sands lead you astray
These dunes still left
untrodden...

But in twenty days you'll
lose her

Those twenty years ago
Your feet will leave no
trace here

Yet you ride to let her
know...

Go now through that
doorway

To a place you once called
home

You'll be too late to save
her

Yet her words will be your
own

You're all I wanted

This wall my haunting

Your name is calling

But still it falls...

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Karl Mitze, viola/mandolin/vocals

Nick Montopoli, violin/banjo/vocals

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