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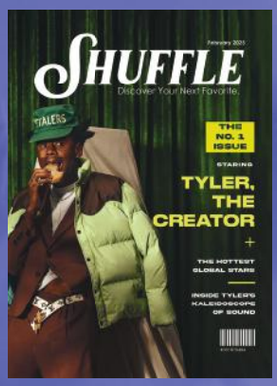
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Welcome to this issue of Shuffle, where we explore the soundscapes shaping today's music. From viral hits to underground gems, every beat tells a story, and we're here to uncover it.

Music isn't just about what we hear—it's about what we feel. Whether it's a chart-topping anthem or an experimental track, the songs we love become the soundtrack to our lives. This issue dives into the bold voices, raw emotions, and creative risks defining today's music culture.

With genres blurring and independent artists reshaping the industry, music is more dynamic than ever. AI-generated tracks, nostalgia-driven sounds, and new artistic boundaries are changing the game. Whether it's a viral sensation or a hidden gem, every song has a story waiting to be told.

As you turn these pages, I hope you discover something new, reflect on something old, and most importantly, feel something real—because at its core, music is what feelings sound like.



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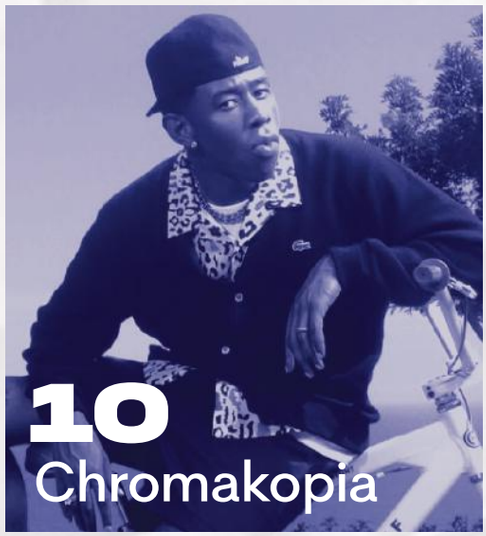




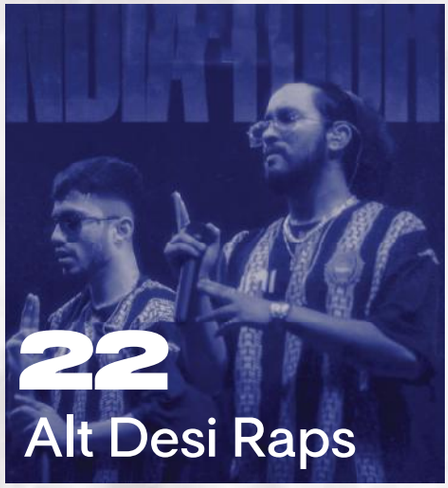
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BILLBOARD HOT 100

The Billboard Hot 100 spotlights the biggest artists of the moment, ranking them based on streams, sales, and airplay. From rising stars to chart-dominating icons, these are the names shaping the sound of today. Every hit tells a story, and this chart is where music history is made. Week after week, shifting trends, viral sensations, and record-breaking anthems define what the world is listening to. Who's climbing, who's falling, and who's securing their legacy? This is where it all unfolds.One song can change everything.



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Park Jimin

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Doechii : The Unstoppable Force of 2025

The acoustic environment of Doechii's music defies easy categorization. Her music, which combines rap, RB, hyper-pop, and experimental sounds in a compelling way, represents a new generation of artists who are not constrained by genres. Songs like "Yucky Blucky Fruitcake" and "Persuasive" demonstrate her ability to blend.

Lyrics of the Generation

Doechii's sound is a fusion of genres that highlights her eclectic musical influences and boundary-pushing creativity. She seamlessly blends elements of hip-hop, RB, and experimental pop, which allows her to stand out in a saturated music scene. Her ability to effortlessly transition between fierce, fast-paced rap verses and smooth, emotive melodies gives her a unique versatility that sets her apart from other artists. In tracks like "What It Is," Doechii's razor-sharp delivery and bold confidence shine through, while in "Persuasive," her more sultry and melodic side takes center stage. This ability to navigate different musical styles with ease speaks to her adaptability and broad range as an artist, allowing her to create moments of intensity as well as vulnerability. Her experimental pop approach introduces unexpected elements and production choices, making her sound dynamic and fresh. Whether it's through unconventional beat choices or her ability to blend different tempos and moods in a single song, Doechii consistently challenges the norms of mainstream music. She doesn't just dominate beats—she reshapes them, adding her unique touch and personality to every track.Overall, Doechii's artistry is defined by her fearlessness to experiment and her fluidity between genres, solidifying her as one of the most exciting and versatile artists in modern music.

> The beauty of being a Gen Z artist is we can be everything at once, I'm both a rapper, a singer, and more.

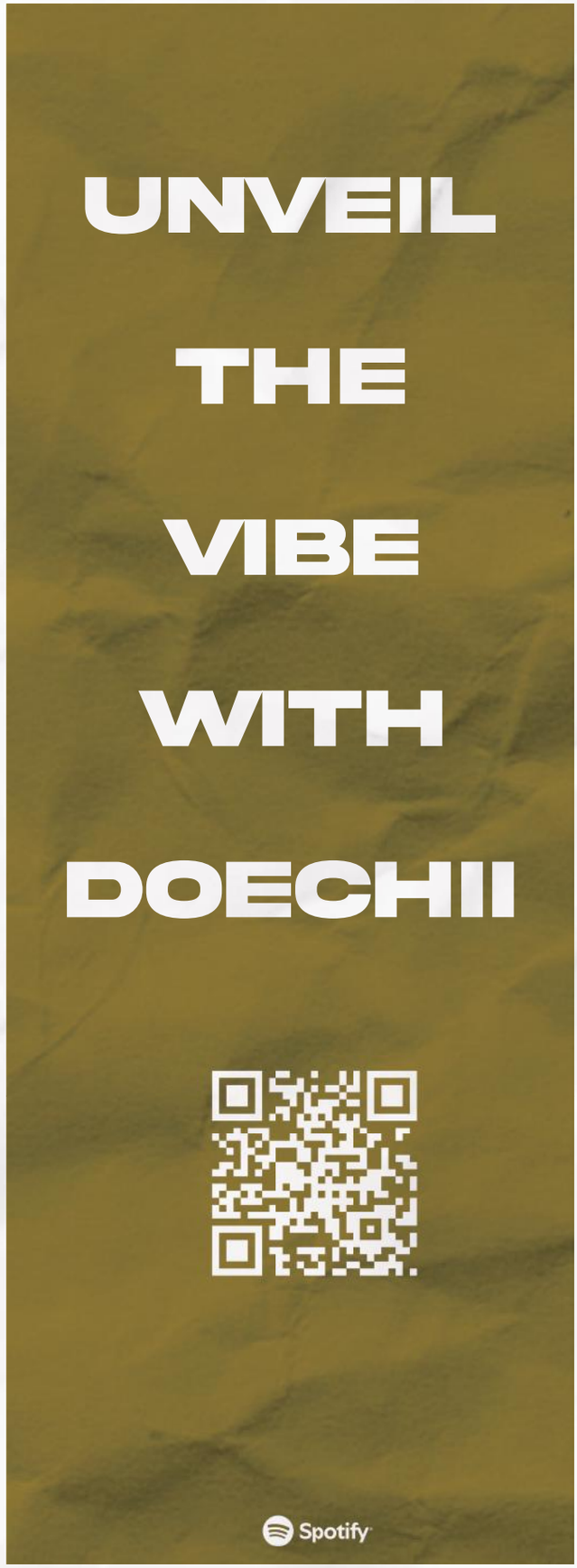
Doechii's Bold and Unfilytered Identity

It's not just the music that draws listeners in—it's the entire aesthetic. Doechii's visuals are an art form in themselves. From her electric, cyberpunk-inspired fashion to her fierce, boundary-pushing music videos, she creates an immersive experience for her fans. Whether she's rocking a futuristic jumpsuit or channeling 90s grunge, Doechii's style feels like a collision of eras, cultures, and future possibilities. But it's not just about looking good—it's about creating a space where she can feel powerful, unashamed, and in control. "I'm here to make people feel seen," she says. "When you're yourself, unapologetically, it empowers others to do the same. She represents a shift in the industry, by embracing individuality, self-expression, and unapologetic confidence, resonating deeply with Gen Z. As she continues to break barriers, Doechii is shaping the future of hip-hop and pop on her own terms.

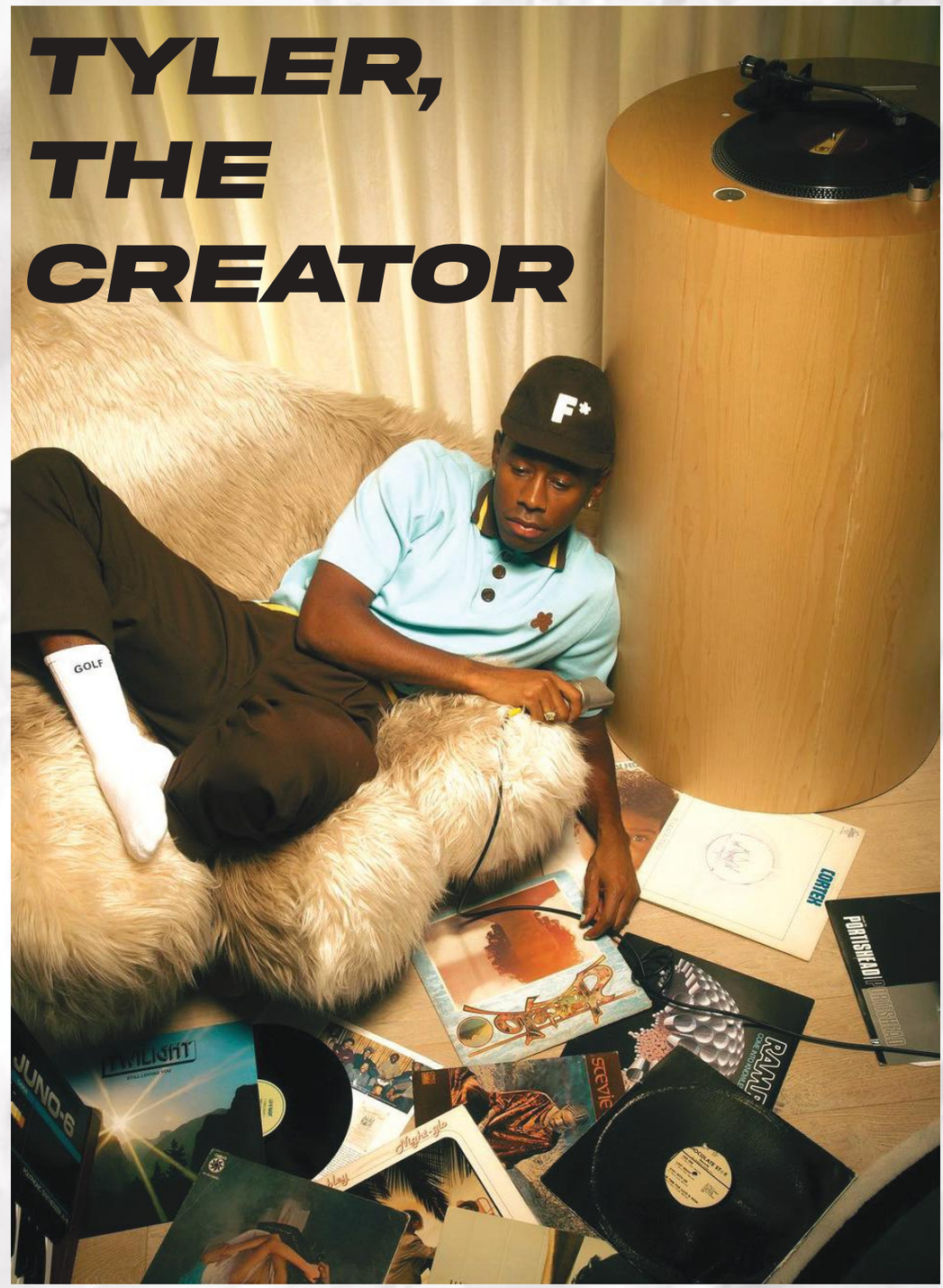
What's Next For Doechii?

2025 is set to be Doechii's year, and she's just getting started. With new music on the horizon and a rapidly growing fanbase, she is poised to become one of the defining artists of her generation. Her next project promises to push boundaries even further, solidifying her reputation as an WW force. Doechii has hinted at experimenting with new sounds, fusing genres in ways never heard before. She is collaborating with top producers and artists to create something entirely unique, ensuring that each track is an evolution of her artistry.

Beyond the music, Doechii is expanding her influence into fashion, visual storytelling, and cultural movements, using her platform to challenge industry norms and empower individuality. Fans can expect immersive visuals, electrifying performances, and a deeper look into her creative process. Whether she's rapping, singing, or challenging musical conventions, one thing is certain—Doechii is unstoppable. Doechii's next chapter is all about bold experimentation and staying true to her artistry.



TYLER, THE CREATOR



Tyler, the Creator is a rapper, producer, and visionary artist known for his genre-bending music and bold creativity. Emerging as the leader of Odd Future in the late 2000s, he gained attention with raw lyrics and innovative production. Over time, he evolved from gritty hip-hop to lush, jazz-infused sounds, while also making waves in fashion with Golf Wang and curating Camp Flog Gnaw. Always pushing boundaries, Tyler remains one of music's most original and unpredictable figures.

CHROMAKOPIA

Tyler's Influence on *Hip-Hop* and *Beyond*

Tyler, the Creator has cemented himself as one of the most influential artists in modern hip-hop, constantly redefining the boundaries of music, fashion, and culture. Emerging as the leader of Odd Future in the late 2000s, he disrupted the rap scene with his unfiltered lyricism, unconventional production, and DIY ethos. His early work, marked by gritty beats and rebellious energy, laid the foundation for a career that would continuously evolve in unexpected directions. His ability to blend humor, vulnerability, and raw energy into his music set him apart from his peers. Over the years, Tyler's artistry has expanded beyond traditional hiphop. Albums like Flower Boy, IGOR, and Call Me If You Get Lost showcase his ability to blend jazz, R*B, and soul influences, creating rich, genre defying soundscapes. His willingness to experiment has inspired a new generation of artists to embrace authenticity and creative risk-taking. Tyler's approach to production, often self-taught and self-driven, highlights his unique ability to craft immersive sonic experiences that push the envelope of contemporary music.

Beyond music, Tyler has made a significant impact in fashion and culture. His Golf Wang brand, known for its bold colors and playful designs, challenges conventional streetwear aesthetics. He has also collaborated with major fashion houses, further solidifying his influence. His annual Camp Flog Gnaw festival has become a staple in the music world, bringing together a diverse lineup that reflects his eclectic taste. His outspoken personality and refusal to conform have also sparked conversations about identity and self-expression, particularly within hip-hop's traditionally rigid norms. Tyler's influence extends to how artists navigate the industry. By maintaining control over his creative vision and refusing to conform to expectations, he has set a blueprint for artistic independence. His ability to balance mainstream success with experimental artistry ensures his work remains fresh and impactful.

If the world were ending, Tyler, the Creator would DJ one last party and only play happy music.



"I just live life and do what I feel and not care about what society thinks."

A Boundless Journey of Sound and Emotion

Tyler, the Creator's ***Chromakopia*** *is a genre-blending masterpiece, merging jazz, funk, R*B, and electronic sounds. Pushing sonic boundaries with emotional depth, the album offers an immersive journey through Tyler's evolving artistry.*

Tyler has always been known for his genre-defying approach, and Chromakopia is no exception. This album combines elements of hip-hop, soul, and psychedelic rock, infused with lush orchestration and layered harmonies. Tracks shift between energetic, bass-heavy anthems and softer, introspective melodies, creating a contrast that keeps the listener engaged. The production is rich and complex, yet every element feels intentional, highlighting his meticulous attention to detail and ability to craft a fully immersive sonic experience. Every sound feels deliberate, adding to the album's rich, layered complexity.

Beyond its sonic depth, Chromakopia delves into deeply personal themes, exploring love, self discovery, and nostalgia. His lyrics shift between confident bravado and raw vulnerability, crafting an emotionally rich narrative. The album unfolds like a novel, with each track revealing different layers of his psyche and evolution. His signature wordplay and intricate lyricism keep listeners engaged, while his storytelling elevates the album into a deeply immersive experience. Themes of longing and personal growth weave throughout, making Chromakopia not just a collection of songs but a cohesive emotional journey that lingers long after the music stops.



" Tyler, the Creator, is an artist who's so brilliant at presenting himself as a question mark that it's easy to forget how incredibly in control he is."

— Rob Sheffield, GQ magazine.





Tracks and Their Impact

Several tracks on Chromakopia stand out as defining moments in Tyler's discography. Songs like "Neon Dreams," "Chromatic Blur,"and "Spectrum Love"showcase his ability to craft infectious melodies while pushing lyrical and production boundaries. Each track contributes to the overarching theme of transformation and self-exploration, resonating deeply with listeners. The intricate arrangements and unpredictable song structures make every listen feel like a new experience."Neon Dreams"blends hypnotic synths with lush orchestration, creating an ethereal soundscape that encapsulates the album's dreamy aesthetic."Chromatic Blur"experiments with distorted vocals and shifting tempos, reflecting the uncertainty and chaos of personal change. Meanwhile, "Spectrum Love" is a heartfelt ballad that highlights Tyler's ability to merge vulnerability with sonic making it one of the most emotionally resonant tracks on the album. These tracks shape Chromakopia.





Visual and Aesthetic

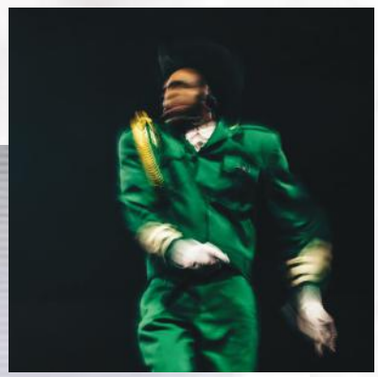
Tyler, the Creator's Chromakopia is a vivid explosion of color and chaos, mirroring its sonic experimentation. The album's aesthetic blends surreal neon hues, distorted dreamscapes, and kaleidoscopic visuals, creating a world where reality feels fluid. Cover art and music videos embrace blurry motion, glitch effects, and hyper-saturated palettes, reflecting themes of self-exploration and transformation. Each track feels like a scene from a fragmented, technicolor dream, reinforcing Chromakopia as one of Tyler's most visually immersive projects to date. From fashion to stage design, every element of this era feels meticulously crafted to pull listeners into his ever-evolving, prismatic universe. It's an album that isn't just heard—it's seen, felt, and experienced. And in true Tyler fashion, it dares you to embrace the chaos.

Chromakopia's Place in Tyler's Evolution

Chromakopia represents a significant step in Tyler's musical journey, solidifying his status as one of the most innovative artists of his generation. While his past albums have showcased his ability to reinvent himself, this project feels like the culmination of years of experimentation and artistic refinement. The album's seamless blending of sounds and concepts highlights his ability to craft something entirely unique while staying true to his creative instincts. As he continues to evolve, Chromakopia serves as a defining moment, demonstrating that his musical exploration knows no bounds. With Chromakopia, Tyler, the Creator once again proves that he is not just a musician but a visionary. The album's fusion of sounds, vivid aesthetics, and introspective storytelling makes it a landmark release in his career, offering fans an experience that is both emotionally profound and sonically groundbreaking. Moreover, Chromakopia cements his legacy as an artist unafraid to challenge expectations. By continuously evolving and experimenting, he also inspires a new generation of artists.



"I like my girls skinny with brains. I like my hoodies fatter than my chances of getting one."



A Defining Chapter

With Chromakopia, Tyler, the Creator continues to push artistic boundaries, redefining modern music through intricate soundscapes and bold storytelling. The album highlights his growth and creativity, seamlessly blending genres to craft a deeply immersive experience. As he evolves, Chromakopia stands as a testament to his innovation and fearless artistry, further solidifying his influence on contemporary music. This project not only showcases his musical genius but also reinforces his status as an ever-evolving artist unafraid to take risks. With each release, Tyler expands his creative universe, leaving fans eager to see where he takes his sound next.

CHROMAKOPIA

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Hey Jane
I Killed You
Judge Judy
Sticky
Take Your Mask Off
Tomorrow
Thought I Was Dead
Like Him
Balloon
I Hope You Find Your Way Home

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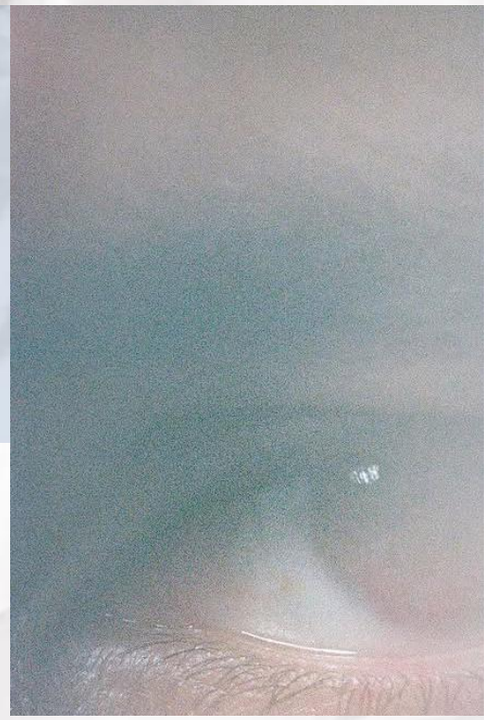
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SURFING THE TREND



Gen Z music is a genre-blending, internet-fueled sound driven by self-expression and viral moments. From bedroom pop to hyperpop, it thrives on digital culture and breaking boundaries. It's a sonic playground where anything goes, and experimentation is the rule, not the exception. Authenticity reigns, with each track reflecting its creator's world.



Lifafa : Blurring Boundaries Between Electronic and Indie

Suryakant Sawhney, better known as Lifafa, is a unique voice in India's indie music scene, blending electronic beats with soulful, Hindi-infused vocals. Originally the frontman of the Delhi-based band Peter Cat Recording Co., he launched Lifafa as a solo project, experimenting with hypnotic synths, lo-fi textures, and poetic lyricism.His breakout album Jaago (2019) introduced a Wsound unlike anything in Indian indie—moody yet danceable, nostalgic yet futuristic. Tracks like Nikamma and Jaago merge social commentary with surreal, genre-bending production, making Lifafa a cult favorite among alternative music lovers. With his enigmatic stage presence and ever-evolving artistry, Lifafa continues to redefine electronic music, proving that boundaries are meant to be blurred. As he evolves, one thing is certain—Lifafa is not just redefining indie music: he's creating a genre of his own. With every track, he invites listeners into his sonic world, where nostalgia meets experimentation. His ability to blend old-school charm with futuristic sounds sets him apart in the indie landscape. As Lifafa's influence grows, he remains a pioneer, reshaping the sound of contemporary Indian music. His music isn't just heard—it's felt, leaving an imprint that lingers long after the last note fades, echoing in the minds of listeners.

> "Zindagi mein ek hi baat hai, sab kuch chhodo aur pyaar karo"



Dominic Fike : The Kid Who Refused to Fit In

Before the sold-out shows and magazine covers, Dominic Fike was just a kid in Naples, Florida, making music in his bedroom. His childhood was rough his mom was in and out of jail, and he spent time couch-surfing, trying to stay afloat. But through it all, music was his escape. With a cheap mic and a laptop, he started recording songs, blending rock, hip-hop, and indie in a way that felt effortless. His voice carried stories of love, struggle, and growing up too fast. In 2018, while under house arrest, he released Don't Forget About Me, Demos, an EP that caught the industry's attention. His breakout single, "3 Nights," became a viral hit, showcasing his smooth vocals and effortless storytelling. Labels fought over him, and soon, he had a deal with Columbia Records. His debut album, What Could Possibly Go Wrong , continued pushing musical boundaries with tracks like "Chicken Tenders" and "Politics and Violence," solidifying his place in modern music with catchy hooks and introspective lyrics. But fame wasn't easy.

He wrestled with the pressure, made mistakes, and had to find himself all over again. Music, once again, became his way forward. Expanding beyond music, Fike took on acting, landing the role of Elliot in Euphoria Season 2, further proving his versatility.By 2023, with Sunburn, he was telling his story on his own terms—raw, real, and unapologetic.



Beabadoobee : The Indie Darling of Gen Z

Beabadoobee, born Beatrice Kristi Laus, is redefining indie music with her dreamy, nostalgic sound. Starting with her viral song Coffee in 2017, she quickly gained recognition, later skyrocketing to fame when Powfu's Death Bed sampled her track. Her debut album, Fake It Flowers, introduced a grunge-inspired edge, while Beatopia showcased her experimental side. With raw lyrics and 90s alt-roc influences, she's become a voice for a generation. From bedroom demos to global tours.

"I'll be getting high with my best friend."

Her authenticity and ever evolving sound prove she's here to stay. With each new release, she continues to push creative boundaries, blending nostalgia with fresh, modern storytelling. As she carves her path in alternative music, one thing is certain this is just the beginning. Her impact reaches beyond music, inspiring a new wave of artists and fans alike. With an unmistakable sound and fearless creativity, Beabadoobee is shaping the future of indie music with every note she plays. she's not just making music; she's crafting a movement, her journey is only just beginning.

JENNIE *RUBY* JANE



Jennie Kim, widely known as Jennie, is a South Korean singer, rapper, and fashion icon. Born on January 16, 1996, in Seoul, she gained global fame as a member of the record-breaking K-pop group BLACKPINK under YG Entertainment.

Jennie made her official debut in 2016 with BLACKPINK's hit singles Boombayah and Whistle, quickly establishing herself as a standout performer. Known for her powerful rap delivery, smooth vocals, and stage presence, she became one of the most influential figures in the industry. Beyond music, Jennie has solidified her reputation as a fashion trendsetter. She has worked closely with luxury brands like Chanel, earning the nickname "Human Chanel" for her elegant and effortless style. In 2018, she became the first BLACKPINK member to debut as a solo artist with her track SOLO, which topped charts worldwide. has worked closely with luxury brands like Chanel, earning the nickname "Human Chanel" for her elegant and effortless style. In 2018, she became the first BLACKPINK member to debut as a solo artist with her track SOLO, which topped charts worldwide.

Album Overview

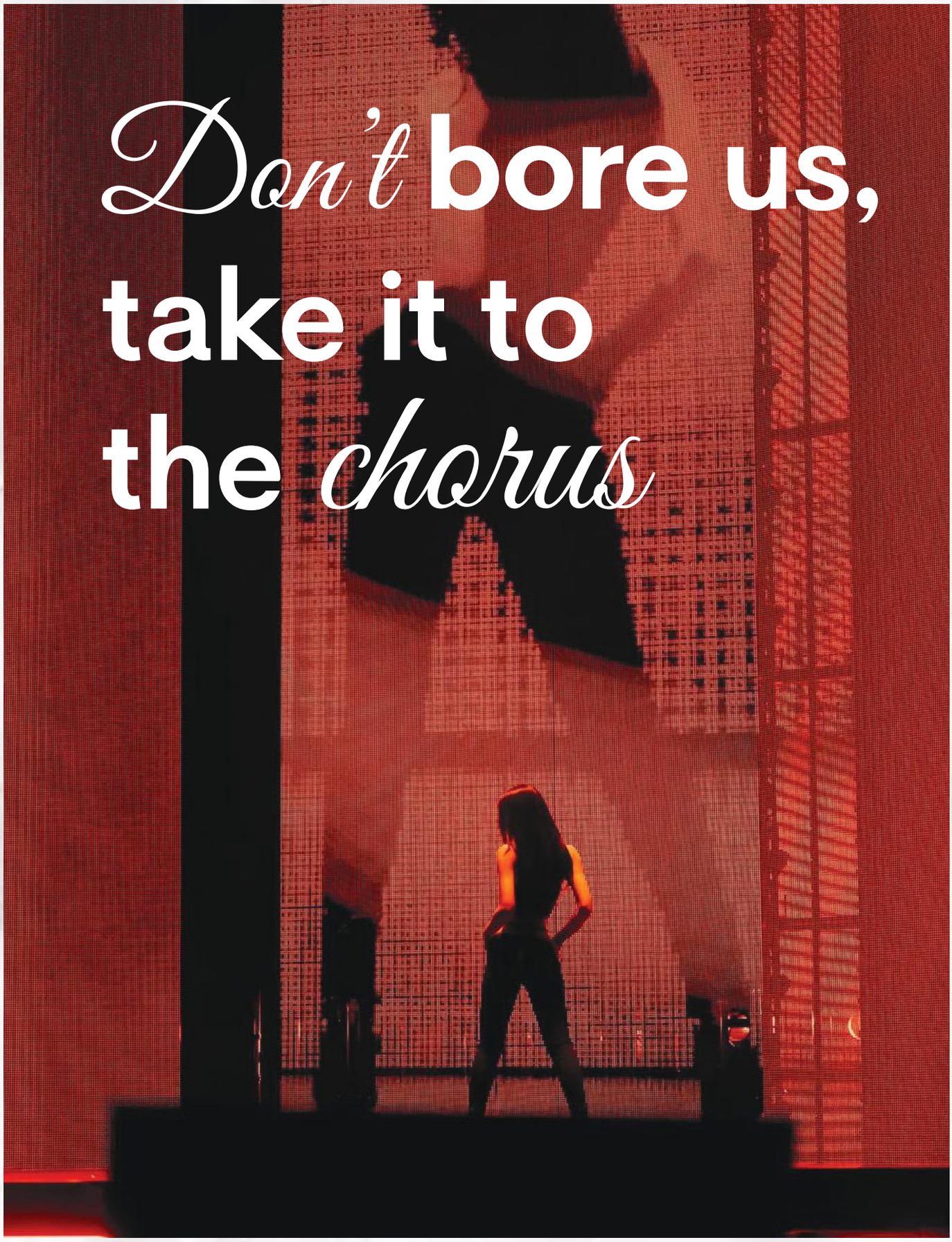
Ruby comprises 15 tracks, showcasing Jennie's versatility across genres such as pop, hip-hop, and R*B. The album features collaborations with prominent artists, including Childish Gambino, Doechii, Dominic Fike, FKJ, Dua Lipa, and Kali Uchis. Jennie actively participated in writing and co-producing the album, Jennie worked alongside top-tier producers like El Guincho, Diplo, and Mike Will Made It.Each track on Ruby reflects a different facet of Jennie's artistry, blending intricate lyricism with innovative production.

Singles and *Features*

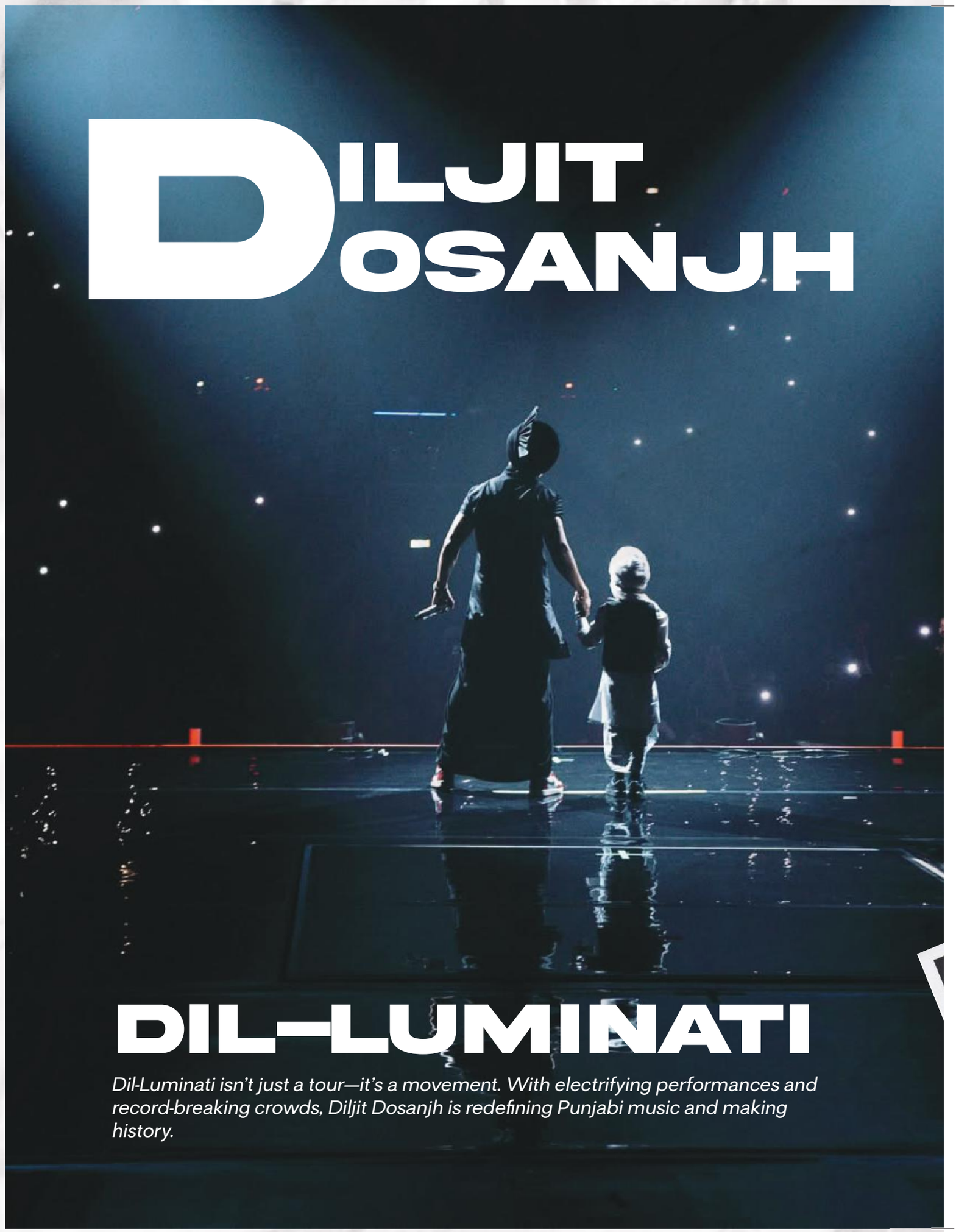
The lead single, "Mantra," released on October 11, 2024, achieved commercial success, reaching the top five on both the Billboard Global 200 and South Korea's Circle Digital Chart. Subsequent singles include "Love Hangover," "ExtraL," "Like Jennie," and "Handlebars." Notably, "ExtraL" features a collaboration with rapper Doechii, blending dynamic visuals with innovative effects.

Artistic Direction

The album's title, Ruby, reflects Jennie's alter ego, Jennie Ruby Jane, a persona she developed during her youth in New Zealand. This project allowed her to delve into her identity, offering a message of empowerment and self-discovery. The tracks range from assertive anthems like "Like Jennie" to introspective pieces such as "F.T.S."



Don't bore us, take it to the *chorus*



DIL–LUMINATI

Dil-Luminati isn't just a tour—it's a movement. With electrifying performances and record-breaking crowds, Diljit Dosanjh is redefining Punjabi music and making history.

Dil-Luminati : A Global Punjabi Powerhouse



Diljit Dosanjh has taken Punjabi music global, blending tradition with modern sounds. With record-breaking hits and historic performances, he continues to push boundaries.

Diljit Dosanjh has redefined Punjabi music, seamlessly blending traditional folk sounds with contemporary beats. Starting his career with regional hits, he quickly rose to mainstream success, becoming one of the most influential voices in Punjabi music. His ability to infuse Bollywood, hip-hop, and R*B influences into his sound has helped him break cultural barriers, making Punjabi music a global sensation. Beyond music, his charismatic presence in films and social media has further cemented his stardom, allowing him to connect with audiences worldwide. From topping charts to selling out international arenas, Diljit continues to shape the future of Punjabi music on a global scale. His collaborations with global artists, record-breaking concerts, and history-making moments—like his Coachella debut—have elevated Punjabi music to new heights, proving that language is no barrier to success. As he continues to experiment with new sounds and push creative boundaries, he is not just a singer—he is a movement, redefining Punjabi music.

— Main aaj vi oh hi banda haan jo pehla si, sirf maida kaam vadhiya ho gaya. —



Making History on the World Stage

Diljit's impact goes beyond music—he made history as the first Punjabi artist to perform at Coachella, proving that regional music can have worldwide appeal. His high-energy performance, complete with vibrant Punjabi rhythms and electrifying stage presence, was a defining moment not just for him but for Punjabi music as a whole. It marked a shift in the global music industry, highlighting the growing influence of South Asian artists on the mainstream stage. His ability to seamlessly blend Punjabi folk traditions with modern sounds has opened doors for a new generation of artists, inspiring them to embrace their roots while reaching global audiences.

> "Punjabi music has no boundaries,it's for the world to enjoy."

From collaborating with international stars like Sia and Tory Lanez to topping global charts with his infectious anthems, Diljit has blurred the lines between regional and mainstream music. His music videos, often rich in cultural references and visually striking aesthetics, further amplify his storytelling, making his artistry both sonically and visually compelling. Beyond music, Diljit has made a name for himself in Bollywood and Punjabi cinema, delivering hit films that showcase his versatility as an entertainer. Whether it's heartfelt dramas like Punjab 1984 or comedy blockbusters like Jatt and Juliet, he has proven his ability to switch between different genres effortlessly.

BREAKING
BEATS AND RULES

Desi rap is evolving, and the underground is taking over. Yashraj, Hanumankind, Seedhe Maut, and Chaar Diwaari are redefining the sound with raw lyricism and experimental beats. This isn't just hip-hop—it's a movement.





Hanumankind: The Voice of Rebellion

Hanumankind is shaking up the Indian hip-hop scene with his razor-sharp lyricism and fearless delivery. Fusing old-school rap energy with modern experimental beats, he brings a global sound while staying true to his roots. His verses hit hard, tackling themes of identity, power, and self-expression with unfiltered intensity. His breakout track "Genghis" put him on the map, showcasing his dynamic flow and ability to command attention.

Whether spitting hard-hitting bars or delivering smooth, introspective lines, his versatility sets him apart in the alt Desi rap movement. Tracks like "DAMNSON" and "No Hook" further prove his ability to switch between aggressive cadences and laid-back storytelling, keeping his sound fresh and unpredictable. From underground cyphers to festival stages, Hanumankind is redefining what Indian rap can be. His performances are as raw and energetic as his music, making every show an experience.

As he continues to collaborate, his influence only grows stronger. With every track, Hanumankind proves that hip-hop isn't just about beats—it's about a message. And he's here to make sure you hear it loud and clear. As Indian hip-hop expands, he stands at the forefront, breaking barriers, challenging norms, and carving a legacy that extends beyond the underground. This is just the beginning. With a fearless approach to music and an undeniable stage presence, Hanumankind is not just an artist—he's a movement.



SEEDHE MAUT

THE SOUND OF THE STREETS

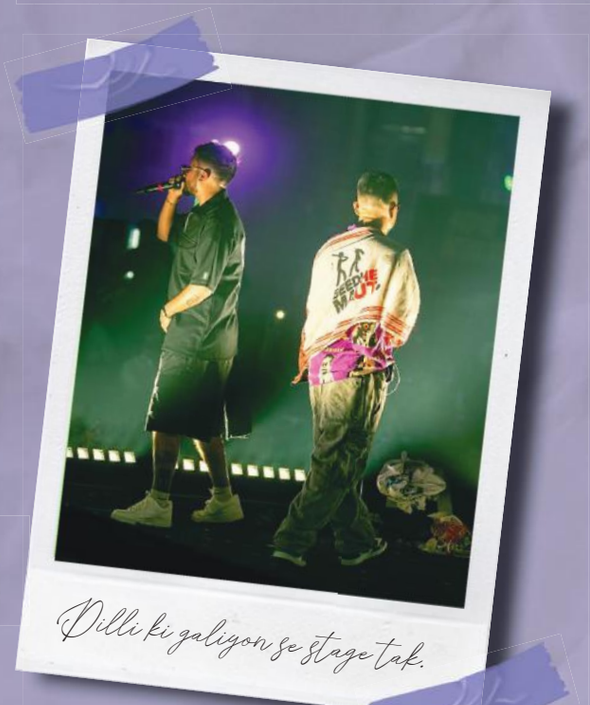
Seedhe Maut is redefining Indian hip-hop with hard hitting lyricism, socially charged themes, and raw energy. The Delhi-based duo, Encore ABJ and Calm, has carved a niche in the underground rap scene, blending Hindi and English effortlessly while tackling issues like class struggles, politics, and urban chaos.



Redefining Desi Rap

With albums like Bayaan and Nayaab, Seedhe Maut has reshaped Indian hip-hop with unfiltered storytelling and intricate wordplay. Their music reflects the pulse of the streets—aggressive, honest, and deeply relatable. From viral cyphers to electrifying live performances, the duo continues to push boundaries. Their rapid-fire delivery and fearless attitude make them more than just artists—they are the voice of a restless generation, challenging norms and setting new standards for Indian rap. Seedhe Maut is more than just a rap act; they represent a cultural shift in Indian hip-hop. Their music transcends entertainment, sparking conversations and inspiring a new wave of artists. With a dedicated fan base and an unapologetic approach to their craft, they are shaping the future of desi rap, proving that hip-hop in India is here to stay and evolve.

As they continue to experiment with new sounds and narratives, their influence only grows, cementing their status as trailblazers in the scene. Their relentless drive ensures that Indian hip-hop's evolution is far from over.





"SEEDHE MAUT KE BINA KYA JEEVAN"

— Talla Freestyle







Yashraj: Spitting Bars, Breaking Boundries!

Blending sharp lyricism with experimental beats, Yashraj stands out in Indian hip-hop, merging introspective storytelling with high-energy rap. His music bridges old-school authenticity with modern innovation, crafting tracks that are both thought-provoking and sonically dynamic.

With Meri Jaan Pehle Naach, Yashraj reinvents himself, fusing hip-hop with disco-infused beats to create a sound that's both nostalgic and futuristic. Tracks like "Gabbar" and "Daae/Baae" showcase his sharp lyricism over groovy, danceable production, proving that Indian hip-hop can be both introspective and electrifying.

The EP embraces retro aesthetics, funk-heavy basslines, and genre-bending storytelling, making it one of his most experimental works yet. Unlike his previous projects, this one leans heavily into vintage disco influences, blending them seamlessly with his signature rap style. From synth-heavy instrumentals to infectious vocal hooks, Yashraj crafts an immersive sonic world.





CHAAR दिवारी



Who is Chaar Diwari ?

Chaar Diwaari, the musical alter ego of Garv Taneja, is a rising force in India's alternative hip-hop scene. Based in New Delhi, he is a music producer, singer-songwriter, and visual artist known for his raw, unfiltered approach to music. His tracks, like "Jhaag" and "Barood," blend hip-hop with experimental elements, setting him apart in the industry. What makes Chaar Diwari unique is his ability to challenge conventional soundscapes, mixing lo-fi, alternative rap, and desi influences into a genre-bending experience. His music often explores personal struggles, existential themes, and rebellion, resonating with a generation seeking authenticity in sound. As a prominent figure in India's indie-rap movement, he continues to push boundaries, proving that hip-hop in India is more than just mainstream bangers—it's also a platform for raw, creative expression.





चार दिवारी essentials

Chaar Diwaari has made his mark in India's alternative hip-hop scene with a raw, genre-blending sound. Tracks like "Jhaag" and "Rang" highlight his introspective lyricism, while "Thehra" and "VIOLENCE" showcase his dynamic range. This essentials list is the perfect entry into his boundary-pushing discography, offering a glimpse into his ever-evolving artistry. With each track, he continues to redefine the sound of indie hip-hop in India.

रंग : 2022



A track that delves into themes of self-identity and introspection, blending experimental sounds with Hindi lyrics.

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BANDS ON THE RISE: THE NEW FACES OF MUSIC

Your ultimate guide to the freshest talent in the music scene. Here, we dive into the world of emerging bands that are redefining genres, creating new sounds, and capturing the attention of music lovers everywhere. From indie gems to boundary-pushing rockers, this is where you'll find the artists shaping the future of music. Get ready to discover the sounds that are about to take over your playlists.

The Eclectic Evolution of Peter Cat Recording Co.

Founded in 2009, Peter Cat Recording Co. (PCRC) has emerged as one of India's most innovative and genre-defying bands. Known for their blend of jazz, psychedelic rock, folk, and electronic influences, PCRC creates a sound that feels both nostalgic and contemporary. Their music transcends boundaries, mixing diverse textures and melodies to produce a truly unique listening experience. The band gained widespread recognition with their albums Bismillah (2016) and Call It A Day (2020), showcasing their evolution from underground favorites to internationally recognized artists. PCRC's dynamic live performances further cement their place in India's indie scene, drawing crowds with their energetic yet atmospheric sets. Expanding beyond just a band, PCRC has cultivated a collective of collaborators, known as experience. The band gained widespread recognition with their albums Bismillah (2016) and Call It A Day (2020), showcasing their evolution from underground favorites to internationally recognized artists. PCRC's dynamic live performances further cement their place in India's indie scene, drawing crowds with their energetic yet atmospheric sets. Expanding beyond just a band, PCRC has cultivated a collective of collaborators, known as Expanding beyond just a band, PCRC has cultivated a collective of collaborators, known as Co., to explore new creative ventures. With their boundary-pushing music and growing global reach, Peter Cat Recording Co. continues to captivate listeners, proving they're one of the most exciting acts in contemporary indie music. Whether through their dreamy, jazz-infused melodies or their emotionally charged lyrics, the band manages to create an immersive experience for listeners. With every album and live performance, Peter Cat Recording Co. reaffirms their reputation as true musical storytellers. As they continue to evolve, one thing remains certain—their sound will always defy expectations, making them a band to watch in the ever-changing world of independent music.





Said I'd like to know where you got the notion to rock the boat

The Dreamy Soundscape of Men I Trust

Hailing from Montreal, Men I Trust has become a standout name in indie music with their dreamy, laid-back sound. Formed in 2014 by Jessy Caron and Dragos Chiriac, the band found its signature style with the soft, hypnotic vocals of Emma Proulx. Blending indie pop, dream pop, and subtle electronic influences, their music is both nostalgic and effortlessly cool. Tracks like "Show Me How," "Tailwhip," and "Norton Commander" have earned them a loyal global fanbase, while their 2019 album Oncle Jazz cemented their status as one of indie's most beloved acts. Known for their DIY approach and minimal yet immersive sound, Men I Trust continues to create music perfect for introspection, late-night drives, and getting lost in thought. With each release, the band refines their soothing yet melancholic aesthetic, crafting songs that feel intimate yet expansive. Their ability to balance groovy basslines, delicate synths, and soft vocals makes their music timeless, ensuring their place as one of the most captivating indie bands of today. Beyond their signature sound, Men I Trust stands out for their independent spirit. Self-producing and releasing their music without major label influence, they maintain full creative control, allowing their artistry to remain pure and authentic. This dedication to their craft has earned them not just critical acclaim but also a deeply devoted fanbase that appreciates their understated yet deeply affecting melodies. Their music videos, often featuring vintage-inspired aesthetics and dreamy visuals, complement their sound perfectly. Whether it's the slow-moving nostalgia of "Show Me How" or the hazy warmth of "Lauren", their visuals enhance the emotional depth of their songs. Every track they release feels like a quiet, personal moment frozen in time—simple, yet profoundly moving. As they continue to tour and release new music, Men I Trust remains a shining example of indie music done right—thoughtful, evocative, and effortlessly cool. Their music doesn't just fill the silence; it creates a space for reflection, emotion, and connection. With a sound that lingers long after the music fades, Men I Trust has secured their place as one of the most compelling indie bands of this generation.

"You don't get to know my name"
"I don't get to know your name"



A Musical Sunrise with *When Chai Met Toast*



Few bands capture the essence of optimism and warmth as effortlessly as When Chai Met Toast. Formed in 2016 in Kochi, this indie-folk band has become a beloved name in India's independent music scene. Their music blends folk-pop with acoustic melodies, multilingual lyrics, and an infectious sense of joy that transcends cultural and linguistic barriers. Singing in English, Hindi, Tamil, and Malayalam, they create a universal sound that resonates with audiences worldwide. From their early days, When Chai Met Toast has been known for their uplifting and feel-good vibe. Tracks like "Joy of Little Things," "Firefly," and "When We Feel Young" are filled with bright, acoustic-driven melodies and heartfelt lyrics that celebrate life's simple moments. Their signature sound draws inspiWWvration from folk traditions around the world, often likened to bands like Mumford and Sons and The Lumineers while still maintaining a distinctly Indian essence. What sets them apart is not just their music but the emotions they bring. Their songs radiate positivity, making listeners feel as if they are on a carefree journey filled with hope and adventure. This energy extends to their live performances, where they create an atmosphere of pure joy, inspiring the fans to sing, clap, and dance along. Their ability to make every show feel personal and immersive has made them a festival favorite across India. The release of their album Believe (2021) showcased their evolution from a simple folk-acoustic project to a band willing to experiment with electronic textures and layered soundscapes while maintaining their soulful core. Despite these sonic expansions, the heart of their music remains unchanged authentic storytelling, vibrant instrumentals, and an overwhelming sense of happiness. At a time when the world often feels chaotic, they offers a much-needed escape. Their music is a reminder to cherish life's little joys, embrace positivity, and find happiness in everyday moments. As they continue to evolve and reach new audiences, their songs remain a comforting presence—like the warmth of a sunrise or a perfectly brewed cup of chai.





The Paper Kites: Weaving Dreams with Every Note

Melbourne's The Paper Kites craft soothing, atmospheric indie-folk music. With delicate harmonies and introspective lyrics, their sound creates an emotional journey that resonates deeply with listeners.

Formed in 2010, they gained attention with their breakout track "Bloom", becoming a hallmark of indie-folk. Over the years, their music has evolved, with albums like Twelvefour and On the Train Ride Home showcasing their ability to blend folk warmth with ambient textures. Songs like "Featherstone" and "Electric Indigo" evoke a dream-like quality that lingers long after the music ends. The Paper Kites' music is known for its emotional depth, weaving narratives of love, loss, and reflection. Their ability to balance delicate instrumentation with heartfelt vocals makes their music feel timeless, offering an escape into a world of beautiful, introspective soundscapes. With each release, they continue to solidify their place as one of the most captivating acts in indie-folk. The band's journey has been marked by an unwavering commitment to creating music that feels both personal and universal. Whether through the melancholic beauty of "Deep Burn Blue" or the soft warmth of "I Can't Look Up", The Paper Kites invite listeners into their world of quiet reflection. Their ability to blend acoustic elements with subtle electronic textures adds a layer of depth to their music, ensuring that each track feels immersive and expansive. Beyond their studio work, The Paper Kites are known for their captivating live performances. Their shows, often intimate and deeply emotional, allow fans to experience the magic of their music in a raw, unfiltered way. The band's connection with their audience is palpable, with every song creating a shared moment of vulnerability and beauty. As they continue to evolve, The Paper Kites remain a beloved force in the indie-folk scene, crafting music that continues to touch hearts and stand the test of time.



HOT TAKES ONLY!

Music sparks debate—some opinions are bold, others controversial, but all are passiate. Trends shift, artists evolve, and fans have plenty to say. Everyone has a take— *what's yours?*



"Drake is playing it safe."
Fans say Drake's music feels repetitive. Has he lost his spark, or is he just consistent? Others argue that evolving his sound could alienate his loyal fanbase.



"The charts don't matter."
With TikTok making songs viral overnight, do Billboard rankings still mean anything? Streaming algorithms and viral trends are reshaping how success is measured.





"Rap beefs are just marketing now."
Are diss tracks real, or just a way to boost streams and sell records? Some believe social media has turned rivalries into viral moments rather than real conflicts.

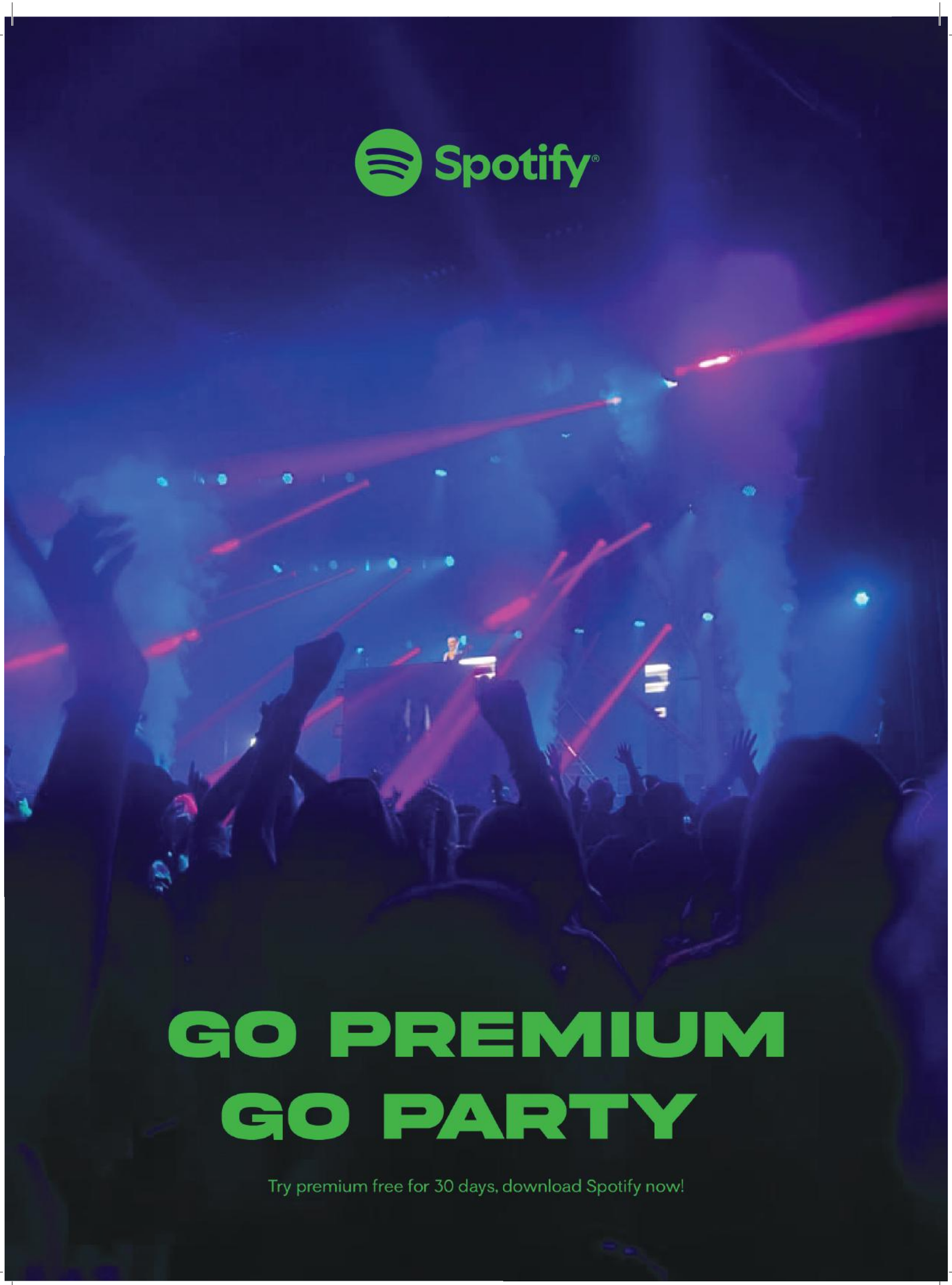




"Mainstream music is losing its edge."
Many argue that indie artists push creative boundaries while major label acts play it safe. Has commercial success diluted artistry, or is mainstream music evolving in a different way?




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