

Jacob Banks Reemerges With Lies About War



Jacob Banks's sophomore album *Lies About War* is an independent affair coming four years after his *Village* debut. The Nigerian singer presented the singles "Just When I Thought" and "By Design (Evil Knieval)" both with videos earlier this year. Banks released the album on his Nobody Records after being on a major label. Of the title, he says, "It's about how when soldiers return from war, they tell elaborate stories of what occurred, but this tale of events only comes from their perspective. It goes to say that the victors seemingly dictate how history is told because they are the ones that made it out. It means that we need to believe we are the heroes of our own story."

The cover art was designed by Nigerian artist Tariq Oliver who uses distorted figures to bring attention to the parts of society lacking humanity. All of the songs are infused with the conviction of gospel music and Banks sings every song like his salvation is at stake. He will take *Lies About War* on the road when he begins his North American and European tour on September 28th.