

# Listen: NYC Disco Band City Life & Brian Jackson Connect On Ride



New York City disco band Escort connects again with legendary flute player Brian Jackson and this time it's for the single "Ride." The band is getting ready for the release of their new album, *City Life* on April 12th. Their sound goes back to the dance music played in New York during the late '70s and early '80s. Jackson is known for his famous solo on Gil Scott-Heron's "The Bottle" and he worked with Escort on their 2015 album *Animal Nature*. Adeline Michèle, who has gone solo, was their lead singer at the time but Nicki B has taken over that role. Adeline does appear on some of the songs from *City Life* and there is an appearance from club legend Fonda Rae on the title track. Escort will go on a small tour starting April 17th in support of *City Life*.Â

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## Dead Prez & Martin Luther-Opponent

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"Opponent" is the first single from Kentyah Fraser's *Evolutionary Minded* album that comes out in September. The full title of the project is *Kentyah presents: M1, Brian Jackson and The New Midnight Band: A contemporary revisioning*

*of Gil Scott-Heron and Brian Jackson. The video is a montage of global societal seam-ripping set to M1's rapping and Martin Luther's soft crooning.*

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## **Black Rock Coalition Orchestra-The Bottle (Live)**

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Last night the BRC gathered for a repeat of their Gil Scott-Heron tribute show, Pardon Our Analysis: An All-Star Gathering for Gil Scott-Heron. Onstage for "The Bottle" was a bevy of Black boho luminaries including Heron's collaborator Brian Jackson, Abiodun Oyewole, Sandra St. Victor, Hanifah Walidah, Gordon Voidwell and a host of others. The show took place at Damrosch Park in Lincoln Center.