Listen: Denaun Porter Shares The Christmas Song

Denaun Porter is one of the writers and producers on Eminem's Revival album. The D12 alumni surprises with his cover of "The Christmas Song" and reveals his soulful singing voice. He posted a statement about "The Christmas Song":

"I grew up hearing Christmas music throughout the year, not just at Christmas time. I always loved the nostalgia of the songs, the feelings they bring back, the memories of family and friends gathering. My family encouraged me to share my own spin on a couple of the classics with you. My influences have always included Marvin Gaye, Tony Bennett, Nat King Cole, Stevie Wonder and Musiq Soulchild and you won't surprised to hear a little of that here. Thank you for listening and allowing me to now be a part of your Christmas memories."

Rhythm Roulette: Mr. Porter

[youtube id="74UyrL0a0BE"] Mr. Porter makes a beat for Mass Appeal's Rhythm Roulette and instead of the usual three blind picks he only chooses one record because it was all he could afford growing up in Detroit. He chose disco group Silver Convention's Golden Girls album from Amoeba Music in Los Angeles and made three beats from one song. Porter is accustomed to working fast because he told the audience how he, Proof and J.Dilla would have 10-minute beat-making contests.

Bizarre From D12 Releases New CD "Friday Nights At St. Andrews"



The reunited D12 and Humboldt County hip-hop duo Potluck have kicked off the "Dazed and Dirtyâ€□ Tour, which is scheduled to crisscross the country through the end of September. Underrated from Potluck has offered the following update from the road:

"The tour has been fantastic so far. The combination of Potluck and D12 fans is creating massive energy every night," says Underrated. "Because both groups have different styles of hip-hop and it's keeping the show fresh and drawing all different groups of fans to these shows. This tour offers a little something for anyone who is fan of hip-hop."

Potluck and D12 have posted exclusive video footage of the "Dazed and Dirty tour online at http://www.hiphopdx.com/index/videos/id.3567/title.potluck-d-1
2-tour-diary-ep-3. Both group's will be posting behind the scenes footage from the tour online every few days and interacting online with fans throughout the tour.

The reunited D-12, also known as the dirty dozen, is a collection some of the best Detroit-based rappers including Bizarre, Swift, Kon Artis, Kuniva and Eminem. D12 released a series of highly successful albums including their 2001 debut, "Devil's Night" and 2004's "D12 World", both of which debuted at #1 on the Billboard Top 200. The tour is the first time the Detroit based group will hit the road since the death of

founding member Proof.

Crowned the hip-hop royalty of Humboldt, CA, Potluck's infectious brand of rhyme has been reigniting an otherwise extinguished hip-hop game. The group released a series of independent albums that are now considered underground classics, before joining forces with Suburban Noize Records and releasing their new album "Pipe Dreamsâ€□. Since then Potluck has soared to the upper echelon on the hip-hop underground touring and collaborating with everyone from E-40 and Tech N9ne to hip-hop legends like X-Clan and Jurassic 5.

D12 & POTLUCK "DAZED & DIRTY" TOUR:

- Aug 21 Lake Elsinore CA @ Trevi Entertainment Center
- Aug 22 Orangevale CA @ Boardwalk CA
- Aug 23 Arcata CA @ Arcata Community Center
- Aug 27 Seattle WA @ El Corazon
- Aug 28 Bellingham WA @ Wild Buffalo
- Aug 29 Portland OR. @ Wonder Ballroom
- Aug 31 Salt Lake City UT @ Murray Theater
- Sept 01 Denver CO @ Cervante's Ballroom
- Sept 02 Lawrence KS @ Granada Theater Kansas
- Sept 03 Tulsa OK @ The Marquee
- Sept 04 Denton TX @ R. Bar
- Sept 05 Houston TX @ House of Blues
- Sept 06 New Orleans LA @ House of Blues
- Sept 08 Atlanta GA @ Apache Café
- Sept 09 Charlotte NC @ Amos' Southland
- Sept 10 Richmond, VA @ Canal Club
- Sept 11 Scranton PA @ Clarion Hotel
- Sept 12 Worcester MA @ The Palladium
- Sept 13 New Haven CT @ Toad's Place
- Sept 15 Baltimore, MD @ Sonar
- Sept 16 Cleveland, OH @ Peabodys
- Sept 17 West Dundee, IL @ Clearwater Theater
- Sept 18 Columbus, OH @ Skullys
- Sep 19 Indianapolis IN @ Music Mill

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Sept 20 — Grand Rapids, MI @ The Intersection
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Sept 22 - Davenport, IA @ Red Stone Room

Sept 23 — Maplewood, MN @ The Rock

Sept 24 — Milwaukee, WI @ Miramar Theatre

Sept 25 — East Lansing, MI @ Small Planet

Sept 26 - Detroit MI @ Eagle Theatre

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