

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 be 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.

Mr. Porter-Stuff In My Backpack Album Stream

Denaun Porter's 8-song [Stuff In My Backpack](#) EP is out now and he says it represents a long-awaited desire to go solo. The D12 alum, and Eminem's current hypeman, recorded 4 albums worth of music before deciding on the selection for *Stuff In My Backpack*. There are notable appearances from Phonte, Rapsody, Pharoahe Monch and Royce Da 5'9."

DENaUN-Idle Hands Feat. Mela Machinko

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"Idle Hands" featuring Mela Machinko is the first single from Mr. Porter's upcoming solo album. DENaUN's Hands tell the story of a cheating husband who can't deny temptation to step outside his marriage.