

# El Michels Affair & Black Thought Release *Glorious Game*



El Michels Affair and Black Thought release their *Glorious Game* album. Leon Michels and Black Thought started working on the album in 2020 during the pandemic. Michels' band is known for playing live but GG inspired a different approach. The musician decided to use lots of samples of his live playing and some lifted from soul records. Michel's production spins Black Thought's movie-worthy tales on an axis of nostalgic sounds that become new again. The vintage flavor courses through the survival creed of "Alone" with peppy drums and jazzy horns and the imported harmonies surrounding the autobiographical story of "The Weather." Black Thought described GG in a press statement: "To me, these songs are

like scenes from a film that is my life. That's the way it evolved." The Roots' emcee's relentless microphone rarely rests as he just shared his *Cheat Codes* album with Danger Mouse last year. *Glorious Game* is on time to make new spring and summer memories and playlists.

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## El Michels Affair & Black Thought Present That Girl From Glorious Game



El Michels Affair and Black Thought drop "That Girl" from their upcoming *Glorious Game* album. The Roots frontman and

Leon Michels' band unify to pay tribute to the emcee's muse. The falsetto-led doo-wop sample collapses and a numbing beat comes in as the bedrock for Black Thought's ode to his greatest love. The lyrics mention a caramel-colored woman as his loving inspiration but the description of her captivating the whole world also sounds like hip-hop is his lover. "That Girl" is the second single from their *Glorious Game* project which comes out in the spring. Black Thought's *Cheat Codes* album with Danger Mouse from last year is still streaming heavily.

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## El Michels Affair Release Animated Video For Iron Man

[youtube id="g6Lk6YRS5b0"] El Michels Affair is following up their 2009 *Enter The 37th Chamber* with *Return To The 37th Chamber*. The New York City band's take on the Wu-Tang Clan gave them instant cult status and now they are using that inspiration again for the new album. Their version of Ghostface Killah's "Iron Man" is an animated story that uses martial arts to tell a story of revenge. Lady Wray and Lee Fields have guest appearances on *Return To The 37th Chamber* which comes out April 14th.



### Â Return To The 37th Chamber Tracklisting

1 – 4th Chamber

- 2 – Iron Man
  - 3 – Shaolin Brew
  - 4 – Pork Chop Express
  - 5 – Snakes feat. Lee Fields
  - 6 – Drums For Sale
  - 7 – Shadow Boxing
  - 8 – Sipped Up
  - 9 – Tearz feat. Lee Fields and The Shacks
  - 10 – Verbal Intercourse
  - 11 – Wu-Tang Clan Ain't Nuthing Ta F' Wit
  - 12 – All I Need feat. Lady Wray
  - 13 – The End (Eat My Vocals)
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