

# Throwback: Nas: Made You Look



The Salaam Remi-produced “Made You Look” is the first single from Nas’s 2002 sixth studio album, *God’s Son*. Nas was going through an intense time, having just lost his mother and finishing a battle with Jay-Z. “Made You Look” announced that Nas was back and fully present. Remi worked out a sample of the Incredible Bongo Band’s “Apache” that had Nas rapping over staccato horns, eerie tremolo guitar, and a bass that all sounded like a rallying cry for him and his Queensbridge crew. Lyrically he was bragging about his rap status, admiring women, and hanging with his crew. “Made You Look” was a certified hit record that reached fans on the radio, in the clubs, and on the streets. All three of the album’s singles, “Made You Look,” “I Can,” and “Get Down,” helped *God’s Son* achieve platinum status. The album elevated Nas’s stature even

higher in the hip-hop community and reaffirmed his New York king title before the south became the center of the rap world for the next generation. *God's Son* inspired 9th Wonder and he released the remix album, *God's Stepson*, in 2003. The official remix of "Made You Look" has appearances from Jadakiss and Ludacris.

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## Media Questions Of The Week

Did Kendrick Lamar ["Ether"](#) Drake with his "Euphoria" and "6:16" diss tracks?

*SZA is more genre-less than other artists who've said this, but she definitely makes R&B records. So.*

*It's not the \*only\* reason why she's seen as an R&B artist.*  
<https://t.co/w8ha7j7yEt>

*– reporting for duty. (@TheGreatIsNate) [May 1, 2024](#)*

Is SZA's music classified as R&B because she is [Black](#)?

*Update: Brian McKnight's upcoming concert in Detroit has been canceled <https://t.co/TsapKzyczHE> [pic.twitter.com/VaEzmTUBtm](https://t.co/VaEzmTUBtm)*

– philip lewis (@Phil\_Lewis\_) [May 4, 2024](#)

Will Detroit be the only city to cancel [Brian McKnight's](#) shows because of his comments about his children?

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## Listen: DJ Premier & Nas- Define My Name



As part of the New York State of Mind Tour WuTang, Nas, and Busta Rhymes all performed in front of a sold-out audience at Jiffy Lube Live in Bristow, Virginia on September 16, 2022. (Joe Glorioso / All-Pro Reels / The Vinyl)

DJ Premier and Nas recently recorded the single “Define My Name.” They released the song on April 19th the 30th

anniversary of Nas' debut album *Illmatic*. Nas admits on the track that he had no plans to be rapping in his 50's but the words kept flowing through the years. The iconic producer and superstar rapper have previously worked together and Premier produced three songs from *Illmatic*. "Define My Name" prepares rap fans for their collaborative album scheduled to come out this year. Nas released *Magic 2* and *Magic 3* in 2023.

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## Nas Posts Video For Sitting With My Thoughts

Nas has released the video for "Sitting With My Thoughts" from [Magic 3](#) that came out on his 50th birthday (September 14th) last year. The video is a career retrospective with footage from his show in Las Vegas with the Wu-Tang Clan. He recently shared the video for ["I Love This Feeling."](#) Nas is on [tour](#) this summer.