

Slum Village Announce Request Single From New Album



Credit: Frankie Fultz

Slum Village's "Request" is another single from their upcoming spring release *FUN*. Group member and producer Young RJ handled the midnight vibes of the song which has the Abstract Orchestra and Big Sean collaborator rapper Early Mac in the credits. It was eight years ago when the group released *Yes!* Last year they announced *FUN* with the release of the first single, "Just Like You" featuring Larry June and The Dramatics. *FUN* will drop in the spring and the duo will return to Europe for the *FUN Since 92* tour. You can see them next month at the [Blue Note](#) with Chris Rob and his band the week following what would have been group founder J.Dilla's 50th birthday.

Slum Village Release Just Like You Feat. Larry June & The Dramatics



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Slum Village announce their first new album in seven years with “Just Like You” featuring Larry June and The Dramatics. Young RJ and T3 have kept busy since *Vol. 0* with solo projects and features but they have now returned to their SV home. In 2022, Young RJ released his *World Tour* album. “Just Like You” is a flirting session with a potential date and the added enticement from The Dramatics’ vintage soul. Young RJ produced “Just Like You” which straddles both an R&B and hip-hop groove. The new song and album announcement comes not long

after the premiere of the New York Times J. Dilla documentary. "Just Like You" is another chapter in the legacy of the group he co-founded with Baatin and T3 years ago. *The Great Escape* is scheduled for an August release.

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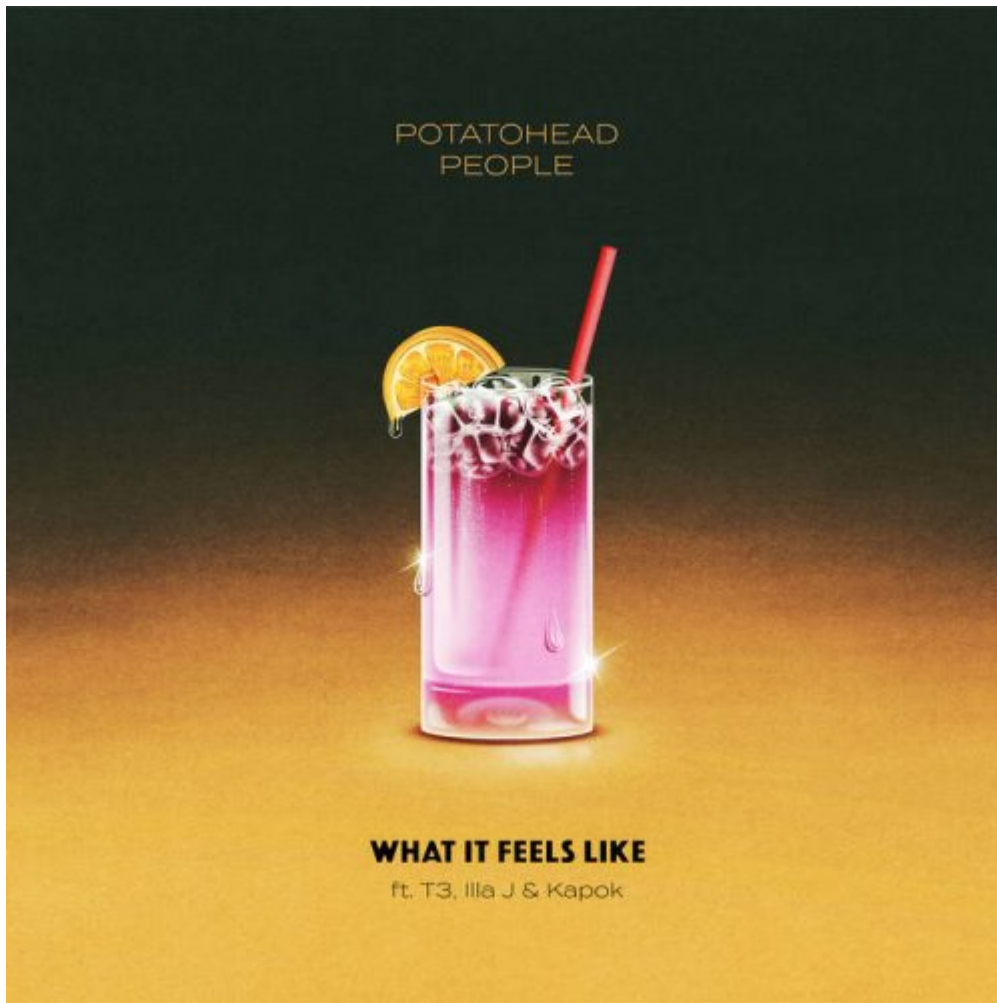
Today would have been J. Dilla's 47th birthday and it is also the 15th anniversary of *Donuts*, the album he was working on before he passed. It is well known that Dilla's dedication to his craft had him working on *Donuts* from his sickbed. The instrumental album was named after his favorite dessert and was a bittersweet ending that elevated his legend.Â

On Friday, the 20th-anniversary edition of his solo album *Welcome 2 Detroit* was released to the streaming platforms.

There are instrumentals and never heard alternate versions of the songs. The producer's short life is still being felt in his music that continues to astound and cause serious head-nodding 15 years later. Busta Rhymes who worked with Dilla, used one of his beats on his current *Extinction Level Event 2: The Wrath Of God* album.Â

This year rapper Frank Nitti who also worked with Dilla hosted the first digital Dilla Fest to celebrate his life. Ma Dukes talks about her son's childhood love of music and how they recognized his gifts early. There are appearances from Amp Fiddler, Robert Glasper, his brother Illa J, Pete Rock, Guilty Simpson, DJ Rhettmatic, Terrace Martin and T3 of Slum Village. DJ Spinna closes the event with a DJ set.Â

The Potatohead People Connect With T3, Illa J & Kapok On What It Feels Like



The Potatohead People offer a sample of their full-length album coming in the fall with the new single "What It Feels Like." Slum Village members Illa J, T3 and Vancouver rapper Kapok join the Canadian producers on the song. The two-man team released "Single Life" last year making "What It Feels Like" their first musical output for 2020. The new album is called Mellow Fantasy and will be released later this year. [youtube id="k_03aqeLIv4"]