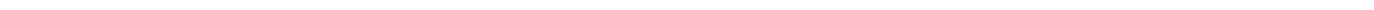


# Young RJ Shares Lyric Video For World Tour Feat. Pete Rock & Rebel Kuzco

Young RJ returns with his *World Tour* album and a video for the title track featuring Pete Rock and Rebel Kuzco. The reflections on the ups and downs of a romantic relationship has the same sonic feel as his work with Slum Village honoring all the things he learned from his mentor J.Dilla. He previously shared “Lucky” featuring fellow Detroitter Boldy James. The rapper and producer revealed the motivation for his third studio album in a statement:

*“I missed being out there with the fans performing. It felt right to title [the album ‘World Tour’]. There were so many things going on all over the world while recording, it was hard to focus... To take my mind away from the news of everything that was going on around me – capitol riots, missing family members, not being able to see them, etc.–I put all my focus into being creative... [This album] captures everything I was dealing with (good and bad) between 2020 and 2021... it was therapy for me.”*

*World Tour* has guest appearances from Pino Palladino, Blu, Mega Ran, Eric Roberson, Pete Rock, Boldy James, Rosewood 2055, Abstract Orchestra, Kezia and Dankery Harv.



# Young RJ & Abstract Orchestra Honor 20th Anniversary Of Slum Village's Fantastic Vol. 2



Young RJ T3 & Rob Mitchell

Young RJ and Abstract Orchestra pay tribute to the 20th anniversary of Slum Village's *Fantastic Vol. 2* with a rendition of the album that was originally produced by J.Dilla. *Fantastic Vol. 2020 V.1 & 2* is an ode to the work of original members T3, Baatin and J. Dilla. The 18-piece band plays mostly instrumentals of the songs including a swanky bass clarinet-heavy version of "Go Ladies." Young RJ, who is a member and producer of Slum Village was introduced to Abstract Orchestra bandleader Rob Mitchell by Slum Village's manager when they were on tour this year. They began recording the project not long after the initial introduction and the result is a rare moment of live hip-hop.

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## Young RJ Releases The Detroit

# Project



Young RJ is following his *Blaq Royalty* solo debut with *The Detroit Project* that features vocals from hometown veterans Guilty Simpson and Phat Kat. There are also appearances from B.R. Gunna, De La Soul and vocals from fallen heroes Proof and J.Dilla. Young RJ explained his plans for the music in a press release:

*“I messed with Phat Kat and Guilty because they carry a pedigree in Detroit, we all talkin about my Nig\*\*s struggling here in tha D, living in modern America is like hell for a man who is light brown or dark as the nighttime”*

Stream *The Detroit Project* below and buy it from [iTunes](#).

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## Young RJ, Phat Kat & Guilty Simpson Release I Know In Celebration Of Dilla Day

Slum Village's Young RJ has released "I Know" featuring Guilty Simpson and Phat Kat in celebration of Dilla Day (February 7th). "I Know" details the plight of Black men in America dealing with the prison system and economic struggles. It is one of the songs from the collaborative album he is working on with both of the Detroit emcees. Young RJ just released his

solo album [Blaq Royalty](#) and the Joyner Lucas-assisted single "Motion."