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## EDITORIAL

2018 is history. Not in the making anymore, but in the high vibrations of our individual and collective memories. And, since it's vibes we are dealing with, here comes our annual **Reggaeville Yearbook** to look back on the last twelve months and summarize the musical blessings they brought!

2018 is historical in that it saw „Reggae Music of Jamaica“ being included on **UNESCO**'s Representative List of the Intangible Cultural Heritage of Humanity, and the return to freedom of a decade-long imprisoned **Buju Banton**.

2018 is histories about **A Matter Of Time, The Next Generation, Kontraband, Unbreakable, Hope River, Love & Life, Roots I Vision** and many more: **Reggae Forever & Never Ending!** In our Reader's Poll, you told us which stories have touched you the most, and were surprised by the winner - **Samini** is the first ever African artist to top our poll with his album **Untamed!** Find all the results in detail on page **108**.

2018 is her story as well: **Koffee!** Featuring our artist of the year in an extensive interview, she tells us about her 2018 and how important it has been for her young career, as well as introducing us to her debut EP **Rapture**, announced to be released in March.

2018 is also our story, we are proud to say. **Reggaeville** is one of the most popular Reggae Channels on **YouTube**, counting 100 million views throughout the year with a total of 850,000 subscribers (a plus of 380,000 compared to 2017) who followed our 469 Video Premieres as well as interviews and live videos. Also, we registered impressive 2.4 million visits on our website, made more than 5,000 posts on Facebook and reached the 100,000 follower milestone on Instagram.

Thank you, dear readers, watchers & listeners, for your continued support! We work hard to keep you up to date with the latest news in Reggae and Dancehall music, and although this Yearbook offers a thorough coverage of the artists, albums and festivals of 2018, make sure you keep checking our homepage **REGGAEVILLE.com** regularly - there is soooo much more to discover!

In numerology, 2018 was a year of cooperation and relationships, of teamwork and diplomacy - charismatic, wise and intuitive! Let's extend this energy into the new year as well which is said to resonate with creative self-expression, optimism, and inspiration as well as self-awareness. **Blessed 2019!**

# HIGHLIGHTS 2018

Compiled by Gardy Stein & Ursula 'Munchy' Münch



**BLVK H3RO**

Wow! 2018 brought so many blessings for me and the team, from featuring with the legendary **UB40** (dropping in 2019) to working on a **Levi's** Vintage Clothing ad campaign inspired by the classic **Rockers** film. However, I think the one that stood out the most for me was being selected as an ambassador for **Bob Marley's** 73rd Earthday celebrations and performing at the **Redemption Live** concert held at 56 Hope Road. To be recognized and given that nod so early in my journey was truly an honor. To be honest, seeing **Popcaan**, **Drake**, **Tory Lanez** and **Kabaka Pyramid** on stage in Jamaica was mind blowing and so inspiring for me as a fan of music! I'm glad I was there to witness that moment and have it fuel me to go even harder towards my goals. What touched me the most last year was **Buju Banton** being freed. This moved the whole world and is a moment I will never forget in this lifetime. Witnessing a living legend return home after a long battle to rest and get ready to do more of Jah works, nothing beats that!



**TAJ WEEKES**

As a musician, the highlight for me and my band should be the release of our 6th album, **To All My Relations**, co-produced by the incredible **Sidney Mills** of **Steel Pulse**. The inspiration for the album – our journey from Standing Rock to Cuba – was truly an unforgettable experience. However, the highlight of 2018 was my work through my children's charity, **They Often Cry Outreach** (TOCO). We delivered 513 bikes to the people of my St. Lucia to help young people live a less sedentary lifestyle. St. Lucia has the one of the highest rates of diabetes per capita in the world and anything that moves the needle a little bit, I am proud to be a part of. We were also able bring a little joy to hundreds of children with our Annual Holiday Party and continue our '**Clothesline Project**', shining a light on domestic abuse. Our spay/neuter clinic remained strong where, to date, over 3000 animals have been serviced. Finally, we launched our first dental clinic, servicing over 300 people and sending them off with brighter smiles. In 2018, I am proud to say that I completely committed to focusing my music and my message towards creating peace and love through community service.



**LUCIANO**

One of my highlights for 2018 was the release of my album **In The Name Of Love**. The album was released on our newly formed record label **Mountain Peak Records**. It was the first time in my career that I had total freedom to explore and include other aspects of my musical talent, thus for example the recording and inclusion of the jazz song **Wade In The Water**. A special moment was when I was called up by a well known producer who told me that although my most popular album of all time **Where There Is Life** has been his favourite for years, this new album was a very close contender, if not better. Also, it was moving when I heard that a popular DJ in the States starts his morning show with the acoustic version of **Serve Jah** every morning since he received the album.



LEE „SCRATCH“ PERRY

Happy New Year! Highlight 2018 was my repentance orders to whip down evil spirits. Lightning, Thunder, Hailstone, Brimstone for those who deserve it! A special day in 2018... Kaya on my Wife Birthday and our marriage anniversary November 30th! What touched me the most last year is that people are awakening to the truth more and more and realizing that everything System is telling us is a lie!



MELLOW MOOD

2018 was LARGE! It was a year full of work on releases, first and foremost our **Large & Large Dub** albums and also our brother **Forelock's To The Foundation** was published on our label **La Tempesta Dub**. Working with the inspiring **Dewey Saunders** for the cover of our album Large was definitely a highlight of the past year and it allowed us to step up our game in terms of the quality of our visual works. Last but not least being back on tour after a 15 months break was probably what made our 2018 very special and productive.

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VIZION I

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"BADDEST"

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# JANUARY

# MAGAZINE



Sting & Shaggy

Interscope/A&M Records is pleased to announce the release of Don't Make Me Wait – the new, Caribbean-flavored song from Sting and Shaggy. The first single will be followed on April 20th by a collaborative...



Walshy Fire

Walshy Fire presents the REGGAEVIVAL mixtape series, a collaboration with ReggaeVival.com. The debut artist on the series is Di Ruption. Rapid pace song changes mean a rammed sampling of Di Ruption's catalog...



Payoh Soul Rebel

Vamos a Sevilla!  
The sun-kissed city in southern Spain is not only the cradle of Tapas and Flamenco, but also a fertile breeding ground for fine Andalusian Reggae music....



Steve „Grizzly“ Nisbett

Sad news reached us from Steel Pulse via their official Facebook page: „It is with a heavy heart that we must pass the sad news that today, our brother, our friend, our time keeper for so many years, original founding member...



Sly & Robbie meet Dubmatix

„Are you ready?“ This question posed in the opening track Dictionary of the newest release of Hamburg's Dub Label Echo Beach is to be taken serious and could be completed with „... for a new listening experience?“.



Max RubaDub

Within the last ten years, Max RubaDub has made a name for himself not only through the life-juggling skills he proved at numerous dances in Switzerland, its surrounding countries and also a bit beyond.

# MAGAZINE



Album of the Year

And the winner is... Chronixx with Chronology! We received votes from more than 3,300 registered users during the 6th annual Reggaeville Poll. Each user had to choose his favourite three releases of 2017.



Best Reggae Album

The Grammy Award winner in the category BEST REGGAE ALBUM is Damian Jr. Gong Marley with Stony Hill. Congratulations!



Hollie Cook

Ever since, in early 2015, I had the pleasure to experience this captivating artiste live at Hamburg's cuddly venue Goldener Salon, I'm a fervent follower of Hollie Cook's output. Devouring her second album Twice...



UB40 feat. Ali, Astro & Mickey

A Real Labour Of Love is the new album from UB40 featuring Ali, Astro & Mickey, to be released March 2nd on UMC. Lead single She Loves Me Now received its exclusive first play today on BBC Radio 2,...



The Dubbeez

What a lively, crazy, colourful and talented bunch! Let us introduce you to The Dubbeez, a Dutch band of six and winners of the 2016 World Reggae Contest. The prize they won: this release!



Torch

One of the first artists to bless us with new music in 2018 is Kevin Campbell aka Torch aka the Eva Burning Flame, as the first song makes clear. Released under his own label called, accordingly, Evaburninflammerecordings...

# VIDEOS



Awa Fall - Be The Difference



Vybz Kartel - Yabba Dabba Doo



Micah Shemaiah - Roots | Vision



Autarchii - Ecological Integrity



Kazam Davis - 400 Years



Patois Brothers - Switch Off Babylon

Capleton



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Cool River Water

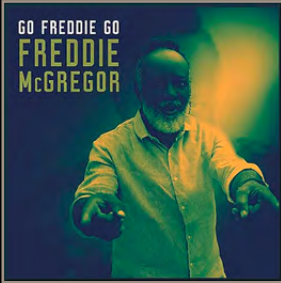
Monkey Marc feat. Dre Island



Yaad n Abraad



# MUSIC



Freddie McGregor



Eek A Mouse



Prince Alla



Queen Ifrica



Asadenaki

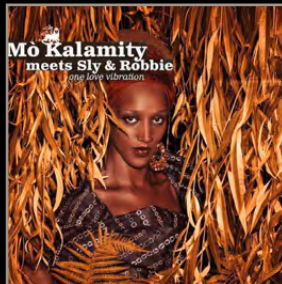


IamStylez

# RELEASES



Iba Mahr



Mo'Kalamity meets Sly & Robbie



Scientis & Dubiterian



Dr Olugander



Stylo G



Fikir Amlak & King Alpha

# PHOTOS



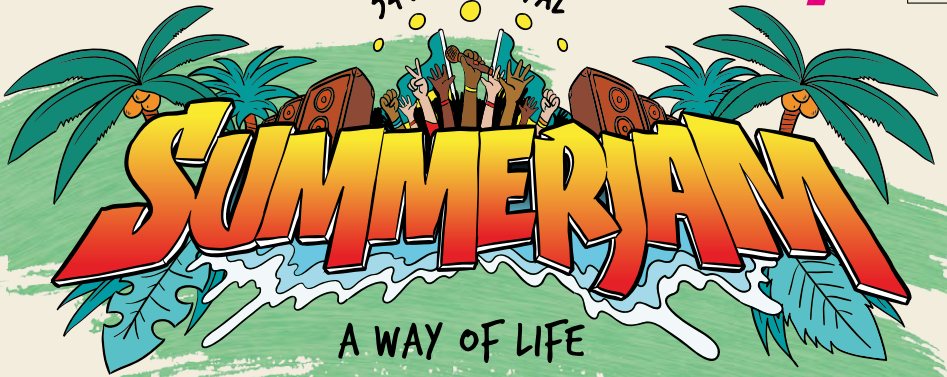
PM Andrew Holness & Tony Rebel @ Rebel Salute



Lee Scratch Perry in Orlando, FL



Shaggy & Wyclef in Kingston, Jamaica @ Shaggy & Friends



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# FEBRUARY

# MAGAZINE



## One Love Cali Reggae Fest

When Steel Pulse headlines a pre party the night before the actual festival and when you miss Nattali Rize and The Original Wailers due to conflicting artists playing at the same time, you know you are experiencing a stacked...



## France Lineage Nooks

Having faith in humanity is not easy sometimes. While filthy lucre is always the worst possible reason to attack someone's health or even life, it's especially painful if the victim is as humble, likeable and talented a youth...



## The Right Band

With musicians like Bob Marley, Alton Ellis, Dean Fraser and Delroy Wilson hailing from there, the community of Trenchtown in Kingston, Jamaica, is considered the birthplace of Reggae music...



## Reggaeville Youtube Milestone

The Reggaeville Youtube channel has reached the impressive milestone of 500,000 subscribers. Since our channel launch in July 2009, we did more than 4900 uploads, which gained a total of 234 million views.



## Romain Virgo

VP Records is proud to announce LoveSick, the upcoming album from rising reggae star Romain Virgo will be out on March 30th. The 17-track album takes listeners on a journey that explores every emotion felt when finding love...



## Carl

He wouldn't be the first MC of this Cologne-based dancehall crew who made it as a famous solo artist. Nobody less than Gentleman himself used to be MC for Pow Pow Movement before he started his career as a singer.

# MAGAZINE



David Rodigan

David Rodigan, noted international Reggae DJ donated an 8 channel interface to the music department of Alpha Institute (formerly Alpha Boys School). Rodigan is in the island for the Jamaica s top of his 40th anniversary...



Protoje

Bout Noon is the latest single by Protoje out today! Produced by Winta James And Lamont "Monty" Savory, Bout Noon is confirmed as an official single from Protoje's upcoming fourth studio album...



The Dubbeez

Winners of the World Reggae Contest 2016 – that's quite a big title to live up to. The Dubbeez do, in their unique, charming and likeable way. Teeming with drive and inspiration, the Dutch band is a joy to see live on stage,...



Culture Tribute Album

Joseph Hill was one of my favorite artists, but you don't hear a lot of Culture songs on the radio. I want to introduce him to a different generation. (Donovan Germain to the Jamaica Observer).



Micah Shemaiah

Visions are part of humanity since our consciousness started to rise above instincts. Nostradamus predicted catastrophes, Nelson Mandela and Martin Luther King envisioned a world of equal rights,...



Delly Ranx

Though ganja tunes have flowed from Jamaica at a steady rate since the mid-70s, there is only one reggae artist pushing the cannabis agenda to the extreme in their music right now - Delly Ranx.

# VIDEOS



Perfect Giddimani - How Yuh Do It



Tarrus Riley & Konshens



Sara Lugo & Randy Valentine



Horseman - Clean Reggae Music



Delly Ranx - Weed Market



Spragga Benz - Love Is All I Bring

Stranjah Miller



High Grade

Jah Trouble, Israel Voice, Diana Rutherford, Kazam Davis, Jah Exile



Iconoclast Riddim Medley

Eklypse feat. Mabarakat



Cannabiss

# MUSIC



Jah Mason & I Wayne



Kabaka Pyramid



Rapha Pico



Myal Soul



Jah Vinci & Million Stylez



Joe Pilgrim & The Ligerians

# RELEASES



Bazil



Bushman



Igor Salify



Headphonemusic



Don Husky



Delly Ranx

# PHOTOS



Morgan Heritage in Hamburg, Germany



Yellowman in Long Beach, CA



The Dubbeez in Utrecht, Netherlands



JULIAN MARLEY

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## MARCH

## MAGAZINE



Reggae On The River

After Reggae On The River 2017 failed to meet its budgetary expectations and the production sustained a significant loss, it was uncertain whether or not there would be 2018 edition.



Groundation

After a year three year break, Groundation will be back in 2018 with a new album, live concerts and a major band change! Lead singer Harrison Stafford plus eight new band members are the new generation of Groundation.



Shaggy &amp; James Gordon

What would happen, if James Corden from the The Late Late Show & Shaggy team up for a 2018 version of It Wasn't Me? Any idea? Here you go... it's maaaaaaad...



King Kong

80s dancehall singing star King Kong is back with new album Repatriation, produced by French sound system/label Irie ltes. The title draws on his sighting of Rastafari and residence in Shashamane, Ethiopia, since 2007.



Johnny Clarke

In the second quarter of the 1970s, a particular type of roots reggae was running the dancehalls of Jamaica. It carried its messages on up-tempo rhythms driven by a swishing high-hat beat popularised by drummer...



Sting &amp; Shaggy

It was quite a bomb that dropped when superstars Shaggy and Sting announced to be working on an album together. 44/876 is the title of the surprising record ready to be released on April 20.

**MAGAZINE**



**Alpheus**

London-born ska, rocksteady and early reggae evangelist Alpheus releases fifth album *Light Of Day* on March 26th. It's his third project with Spanish producer and forensic music historian Roberto Sanchez...



**Romain Virgo**

Romain Virgo! His name alone lets hearts flutter, teenagers sigh and grown women melt. The artist who was discovered at the Jamaican DigiCee Rising Stars Competition in 2007 has rapidly grown into a professional,



**Etana**

The Strong One is back. Not that Etana was absent for long, not at all. In fact, she already released *Live in London* this year as a result of her extensive touring in Europe and the U.S.



**Etana**

Soulful reggae power-voice Etana releases fifth album *Reggae Forever* on March 8th - distributed by Tad's International. Her first full length independent project since she left VP Records...



**I-Octane**

Jamaican artist I-Octane has returned with a third full length solo release, this time on his own newly formed label, Conquer the Globe Productions. Entitled *Love & Life*, the 19 song project adheres to those two seemingly...



**Reggaeville Riddim Corner**

Yaad N Abraad might only be producer Monkey Marc's second riddim release, but *Monkey*, a name given to him during his days working in the Australian Outback as a geologist, is not a typical reggae producer. In fact...

## VIDEOS



Baroe - Dream



Irie Souljah - Jah Jah Don't Leave Me



Tuff Like Iron - Next Vibes



Ishawna - Instaboy



Teejay - Up Top



Capleton &amp; Elijah Prophet

## I Atom feat. Capleton



Ganja Call

## Reggae Round Table



Jammin In The Park

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Life Changes

# MUSIC



Blvk H3ro



Top Shelf Riddim



UB40 feat. Ali, Astro & Mickey



Wayne Marshall



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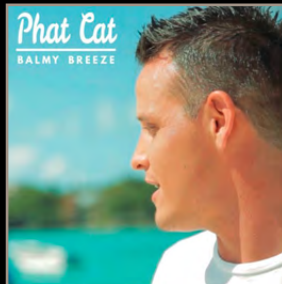


Sting & Shaggy

# RELEASES



Mikey General



Phat Cat



Alpheus



Javada



Soom T



Konshens

# PHOTOS



Kaya Fest - Press Conference



Samory I in Wuppertal, Germany



J Boog feat. Jesse Royal in Fort Lauderdale, FL






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Anthony B in Munich



Droop Lion Interview in Dortmund



Romain Virgo @ Wha' Gwaan Munchy?!?



Droop Lion in Hamburg



Charly B Interview in Dortmund



Romain Virgo in Amsterdam



Junior Kelly in Munich



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## APRIL

## MAGAZINE



Buju Banton

Today is April 23, 2018.! 229 days until Buju Banton's release from jail: December 8, 2018! The anticipation and excitement for this day is growing steadily and turned into confusion four weeks ago, when it was falsely announced.



Mellow Mood

With Large Italian Reggae band Mellow Mood will bring an indeed big album to the table that combines a conceptual yet diverse sound with deep lyrics ranging from socially critical to love and even hate. Munchy spoke...



Mellow Mood

Pressing play on their new album, it's immediately back... this Mellow Mood feeling! Almost guiltily, I realize that it's been quite some time since I heard one of their last releases Twinz or 2 The World, and I really missed...



Bounty Killer

Bounty Killer reached Europe to kick off his tour in Zurich, Switzerland. Earlier today he was interviewed by Lukie Wyniger for swiss radio station SFR 3. Despite protests by the LGBT community in Austria....



Dactah Chando

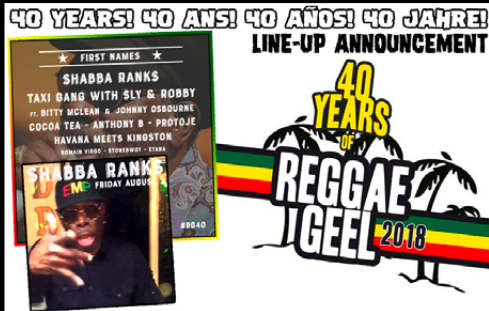
Shortly after Dactah Chando had arrived in Germany in preparation for his Global Cityzen tour from May 3rd to 22nd, Reggaeville spoke to him about his choices and experiences with the new album.



World Clash

Reggae Sumfest 2018 Presents Irish & Chin's World Clash 20th Anniversary The Epic Sumfest Battle in Montego Bay on July 19 will feature DJs Tony Matterhorn, Mighty Crown, Ricky Trooper and Pink Panther.

# MAGAZINE



**Reggae Geel**

40 Years! 40 Ans! 40 Años! 40 Jahre! That's right, Reggae Geel is celebrating its 40th edition this year! Congratulations to all of you, none of this would have been possible without a loyal audience.



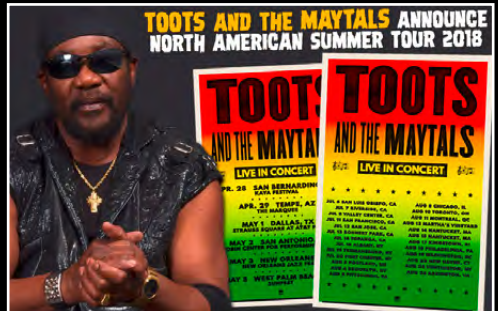
**U Roy**

Wake the town! As I would say... Well, not I really, but U. U-Roy, to be exact. In his long and fruitful life, Mr. Ewart Beckford has created history. Not only by recording countless singles and albums or by being awarded...



**Sting & Shaggy**

While features and collaborations are a common thing in Reggae and Dancehall, most stay within the genre's boundaries. Recently though, these boundaries have remarkably expanded to include Cuban music...



**Toots and the Maytals**

Legendary reggae artist, Toots and the Maytals, announced today representation by United Talent Agency (UTA) and a major 2018 summer tour throughout the U.S. and Canada. The tour hits major cities and festivals,...



**Skarra Mucci**

Ooops, he did it again! Skarra Mucci surprises the Reggae world with a fresh release that explores all corners of it. The artist who first stroke my attention in 2005 with the good-mood-tune Bonx It Pon Me featuring Switzerland's...



**Lightning The Magnetic**

Thunderground is here! After his 2012 solo-debut The Lost Tracks, the long-awaited new album of Lightning The Magnetic aka Stephen Newland aka lead singer of Rootz Underground was released on 4/20 and has attracted...

# VIDEOS



Adwela & The Uprising - One Plant



Luciano & Natty King



Jah Mason - Ganja Medley



Jah Izrehl - Rasta Lifestyle



Dub Kartel feat. Blvk H3ro



Sean Paul & Chi Ching Ching

Burro Banton



Chemist Inna Dis

Rusty Rockerz



Black Coffee

Naomi Cowan feat. Mark Pelli



Things You Say You Love

# MUSIC



Qew Lunel feat. Treesha



Jahmiel



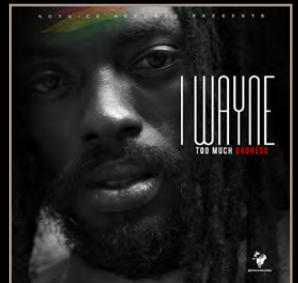
Twilight Riddim



Signal Fire & Kenyatta Hill



Fatis - Tapes In The Oven VOL.1



I Wayne

# RELEASES



Aleighcia Scott



Manudigital



Sly & Robbie & Junior Natural



Puravida



Mojá



Kitra

# PHOTOS



PM Andrew Holness & Dennis Alcapone



The Wailers in Pensacola, FL



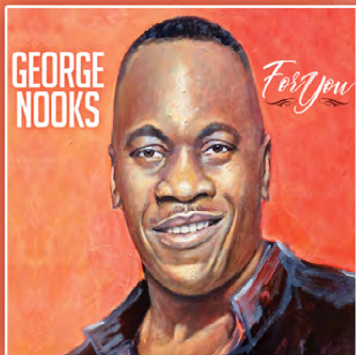
Mellow Mood in Firenze, Italy



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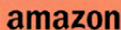


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# MAY

# MAGAZINE



**Kaya Fest**

Kaya Fest 2018 had the magic. Magic like when Rita Marley looks you straight in the eye and smiles even though she's speeding past in a golf cart; Like when friendly strangers all weekend walk right up and introduce...



**California Roots**

What makes Cali Roots unique and pretty mind blowing is that it's a festival as much for the artists as it is for the fans. So you'll be heading from one stage to the other and Nattali Rize, in fan mode, herself not even...



**Blundetto**

I like the cover artworks of his releases, I like his whole CD, actually. I really love his old stuff, his deep understanding of music. And I'm completely blown away by his most recent feat... Blundetto!



**Buju Banton**

The following press release reached us today from Buju Banton's publicist Ronnie Tomlinson / Destine Media PR: On May 27 2018, ABC News published previously sealed video evidence from Mark Myrie's 2010 trial on...



**Bob Marley & The Wailers**

Internationally renowned rock photographer Gijsbert Hankroot and reggae researcher and writer Martijn Huisman present a brand new photo-book entitled: Babylon By Bus: Bob Marley & The Wailers in The Netherlands



**Reggaeville Riddim Corner**

While other American reggae bands tend to water down the genre with rock and/or pop, L.A.-based group, The Expanders, lean hard into the pure roots sound, creating music that feels like it could be 40 years old...

# MAGAZINE



Lightning The Magnetic

Thunder and lightning, brimstone and fire! The phrases so present in Rastafarian culture resonate deeply within the artist who just released his second ever solo work: Stephen Newland aka Lightning the Magnetic!



Roger Steffens & John Masouri

Two celebrated storytellers, fired by inside knowledge and experience... Global Beats & Irie Heights present a seminal event - Roger Steffens and John Masouri - two of the world's most acclaimed reggae writers in conversation...



Ketch A Fire

Caution - Heavy Bass! How important this cover-sleeve-warning is can be felt as soon as this release is put to play. It's the kind of bass that makes bottles drop when played on a system and neighbours knock on your walls...



Kabaka Pyramid

Close your eyes, centre yourself and take a deep breath – it's finally here! Kabaka Pyramid's debut album Kontraband is out, and there's no going around it, nor taking it lightly. Where to start on a feat like that?



Ziggy Marley

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Cookie The Herbalist - Back Yawd



Dahvid Slur - Sound It



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Richie Spice & Chronixx



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Protoje & Chronixx



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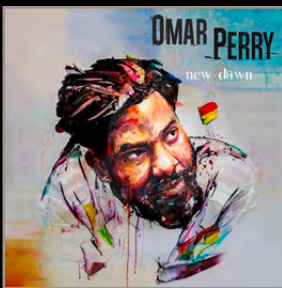
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Don Carlos @ California Roots Festival



Bounty Killer in Kingston @ Reggae Sumfest Launch



Kabaka Pyramid - Kontraband Album Launch in Kingston, Jamaica



Jahmiel &amp; Mavado in Miami, FL @ Best of the Best



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# HIGHLIGHTS 2018

Compiled by Gardy Stein & Ursula 'Munchy' Münch



## SHAGGY

The highlight of 2018 for me was touring with my brother **Sting**. It was an amazing experience filled with fun and laughter. One of my most memorable days was performing for **Queen Elizabeth II** at her 92nd birthday at The Royal Albert Hall in London with **Sting**.

The thing that touched me the most was **Sting** coming to Jamaica to perform together at our **Shaggy & Friends** benefit concert series in aid of the Bustamante Hospital for Children - the only children's hospital in the English-speaking Caribbean.

## STING

The highlight of my year was working and touring with my friend **Shaggy**. We had so much fun, surprising people with how this unlikely duo blended, musically and personally. As I always say "surprise is everything in music."

The first show we did was a benefit in Jamaica for the Bustamante Hospital for Children in Kingston. It was great to play for the first time on an island that has provided so much amazing music for the world as well as giving me a great deal of inspiration. The concert was transcendent and made me realise how much esteem and respect **Shaggy** has in the hearts of the people there.





MICAH SHEMAIAH

My personal highlight of 2018 was being able to bring my band on our first European tour and also simultaneously being able to take my family as well. Many sacrifices but giving thanks for the many blessings this trod has brought us so far and looking forward to many more. Give thanks also for your continued support. Blessings to the team.



BIG MOUNTAIN

One of our highlights for 2018 was our interview on CNN discussing our new song **Deportation Nation**. Another highlight was having our song **Oooh Baby I Love Your Way** as the lead song in the **Jumanji** motion picture and soundtrack. Performing at **Pol'and'Rock** was definitely a special moment in 2018 and also having our 2nd annual **CrissCross Festival** in Vamberk Czech Republic double in size was very positive. All of the band members of **Big Mountain** were moved by the amount of humanitarian crises that occurred on this planet in 2018. These injustices is what moves us emotionally to mash down Babylon. As stated in our song **I'm Calling You Out**: „A true revolution is guided by feelings of love“.



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## DAMIAN MARLEY IN LONDON, UK LEGALISE MEDICAL CANNABIS SYMPOSIUM

Damian Marley

Damian "Jr Gong" Marley, Professor Green, Norman Lamb MP, Dr Frank and activist Kate Rothwell addressed the need for the legalisation of cannabis for medicinal use in the UK.



Fyakin

Walshy Fire & Reggaeville present Fyakin in the second installment to the REGGAEVIVAL Mixtape series. A versatile artist, Fyakin switches from complex vocals to deejay-style chants delivering scorching lyrics...



Sierra Nevada World Music Festival

In these troubling times in the US, SNWMF presented an alternative reality for the family who have gathered for 25 years, many industry types noted how many times they had attended, 15, 17, 19 times, one agent for ...



Buju Banton

Six months from today, on December 8, 2018, reggae and dancehall superstar Buju Banton will return home after almost a decade behind bars. As Buju Banton's worldwide fanbase eagerly anticipates his triumphant return.



Marcia Griffiths

Reggae Icon Marcia Griffiths defends the authenticity of her classic song Electric Boogie in response to allegations that the song is 'really about a vibrator.' Allegations surfaced online on Tuesday (June 26th) via EDM.com after...



Alborosie

Unbreakable is the name of his most recent album, to be released in a few days, and unbreakable indeed is the spirit of the Rasta warrior who stopped over in Hamburg last Wednesday...

# MAGAZINE



Rebelution

Never change a winning team. Rebelution has got what it takes to be Reggae super stars in the US and beyond. So why consider changing the battle plan? Their current album Free Rein was released through Easy Star...



Luciano

It's no secret that Reggae music has many ties to Gospel. Not only did many Reggae artists take their first musical steps in church choirs, but also have messages praising God or of universal love, and certain melodic patterns...



Change Riddim

Swedish producer, André Roots, has largely flown under the radar despite working with artists like Ras Muhamad, Norris Man, and Million Stylez. But André's newest release and first riddim juggling is likely to change all that...



Mystic Bowie's Talking Dreads

Mystic Bowie's Talking Dreads is a homage to the long-lasting legacy of Talking Heads. In the 1980s, the music of Talking Heads was ground-breaking in terms of post-punk and new wave, and now in 2018 Mystic Bowie pays...



Bobby Hustle

After a two-year hiatus awaiting trial for cannabis trafficking while on tour in Costa Rica, Bobby Hustle returns with a new EP, Can't Hold Me. Partially inspired by his time abroad, the project leads off with the titular track...



Katchafire

New Zealand and Reggae are not the most likely combination. But, since 30-odd years now, our beloved genre has been alive and well on the island, perpetuated by bands and musicians who number in the hundreds today.

# VIDEOS



Kabaka Pyramid & Damian Marley



Jamie Irie & Blackout JA



Craigy T - Pull It Up



King Kong & Eek A Mouse



Lee Scratch Perry



Ras Penco

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Ras I Dre & Princess Kazayah



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My Situation

# MUSIC



Alborosie feat. Raging Fyah



Josh Heinrichs & Skillinjah



Alkaline



Shanique Marie & Kabaka Pyramid



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Fiji



Ras Charmer



Jah I Ras



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Cocoa Tea in Los Angeles, CA



Max Romeo in Los Angeles, CA



Alborosie & The Shengen Clan in Hamburg, Germany

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# INTERVIEW

by Gady Stein

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**KOFFEE**  
**YEAR IN REVIEW**







Talent, determination and a disarming sympathy made her take the hearts of people worldwide by storm: **Mikayla Simpson** aka **Koffee!** At just 18 years of age, she has managed to impress fellow artists such as **Cocoa Tea**, **Protoje** and **Chronixx**, who have taken her on stages and tours to introduce her to the world, and her swift rise from an insider's tipp to a **Columbia**-signed artist is second to none. We accompanied **Koffee** on a mental walk through her 2018, pointing out the highlights of this incredible year:

## JANUARY

**Koffee at Rebel Salute! What impression did that big stage leave on you?**

Being on that stage with **Cocoa Tea** really opened my eyes to being able to perform in front of large groups of people. It opened my mind to being supported by my own country, so it gave me confidence and it gave me hope to know that my music is doing something, that it's capable of moving people and creating reactions. That just gave me the first bit of confidence to keep going and go

to more places and spread the music even further.

**How did Cocoa Tea link you up? Did you know him from longtime?**

I met **Cocoa Tea** through **Walshy Fire** actually. It was just a spontaneous link-up, you know, cause it was a time when I just started to do music, for less than a year. When **Walshy Fire** told him that I do music, and he checked out some of my songs, it was instantaneous for him to want me to perform with him on **Rebel Salute**, and it was just a blessing that he was inspired to make that move!

## FEBRUARY

Was it there that you started to get in touch with the new age artists like Agent Sasco, Koro Fyah and Kabaka Pyramid? In early February, you performed with them at events called Link Up and New Wave.

Well, some of them I met before and some after, but it's just through entering the music industry, being at certain venues and certain shows, I meet different artist and set different links. It wasn't necessarily all of them at once, but over time, just coming across everybody and reaching out and other people reaching out to me.

People like Chronixx. When was the first time you linked up with him?

That must have been right around the time when he came back to Jamaica for his **Chronology** concert. Our managers linked each other, they knew from before because all of us come from Spanish Town, you know. From that link I got the opportunity to do a project with him for the **BBC Radio**, we were at **Tuff Gong** vibing to the Real Rock riddim.

And you just kept going up, it seems. End of February, you received the Jaria Award „Breakthrough Artist of the Year“. Can you tell us how that felt, to be there and get this award?

Just like **Rebel Salute**, it was just such a blessing and inspiration. When I realized that, in such a short space of time, I was able to inspire or make an impact on my country, in the music industry, for

people to recognize me as the breakthrough-artist of the year, it's a push! It's really eye-opening, it's humbling, it shows that people are listening to the music and that what you are doing is impacting people. And it reminds you that you have a responsibility to live up to and just keep doing work!

How did it feel to be on that stage among artists like Nadine Sutherland, Big Youth, Marcia Griffiths, Bounty Killer... all the big names in Reggae Biz?

It was such an amazing and inspirational moment! Even just watching the older artists on stage, vibing and talking, performing and stuff, I learned a lot! It was very very inspirational and a heart-warming moment for all of us, to be in the same space at that time. It felt good!



Photo by Steve James





## MARCH

In March, you performed at the Stepping High Ganja Festival. Did they book you? How did you like it?

The Festival had reached out to my manager at that time. The vibe there was sick, it was great, people interactive, you know, Reggae music is always a good vibe, people gather to listen some live Reggae music and... yeah it was a great energy as usual, everybody was irie (laughs).

There was also a Concert at Women's Day on March 8th. Was that a special occasion?

Yes! I met a lot of artists that night, **Queen Ifrica, Richie Stephens**, quite a few, who were encouraging me and just gave me a kind word. It was inspirational being there, it was a woman's day thing, so I felt really good that I was able to perform for a cause like that.

People still lament the lack of women in the Reggae business. How do you see it? Do you

think that women today have a stronger position than maybe 20 years ago?

To tell you the truth, I'm not in a position to compare the position of women in Reggae between now and before, because remember that I just entered the industry, but for me personally I haven't experienced any particular difficulty that I can attribute to being a woman, so I can't speak on that.

That's great to hear, because it means that only talent matters!

**APRIL**

In April, there was no particular event. Did you use the quiet time to relax or did you prepare new stuff behind the scenes?

Yeah, at that time I was definitely in a writing mode, I started to work on **Throne**. I think I was negotiating my contract as well with Columbia.

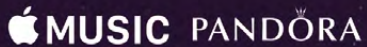
**MAY**

Your first show out of Jamaica was held in Miami. Who organizes the travel, the visa and so on? Was it your first time to leave the island?

No, I've been traveling since I was younger, but it was the first time I got a musical opportunity with travelling. The organization is between my team, **Caniggia Palmer, Tamara Chang, Pierre**



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**Bost** and other people who have been helping out.

**Compared to Jamaican venues, how was the show?**

It's always good, I don't think there was much of a difference. There is always a unison as it relates to Reggae music and audiences, so once people gather to listen to Reggae music it's always a good and supportive vibe, a positive energy, I find.

**JUNE/ JULY**

**You did a post on Facebook asking people who they want to see you collaborate with. There were more than a hundred comments – did any of them inspire you to do an actual collaboration?**

I tried to check all the comments, and some of them did actually inspire me. What I want is for eve-

rybody to wait for me to surprise everybody who I chose (laughs). Some of them actually were a little surprising, some of them were crosses between Reggae and Dancehall, some of them were international collaborations that were being suggested... I was grateful for the feedback, it was a bit surprising for me as well. So yeah, look forward to some surprise collaboration coming from that!

**For you personally, what is your favourite artists that you would like to collaborate with?**

Ahm, as I always say, there is literally too many. I mean, I love music too much to just choose one, because there are a lot of artists who really inspire me and who I would love to get into the studio with, so it's just putting in the works and actually getting

it done so the songs can be the prove of it, you know.

**How about your styling? In the visuals we saw so far, you always have a very crisp, fresh and shining style. Are there people to help you find these outfits?**

Actually, when I first started, I didn't really have a stylist per se, I did my own styling. But since recently, I've been working with different people and Columbia has also put me in touch with some other people, people like **Ayishat Akanbi**, she was my recent stylist. I also worked with **Flowerchild** from Jamaica, so I just recently got into this, I worked with those two so far. I definitely look forward to work with more stylists and try more styles. It is very refreshing and exciting.





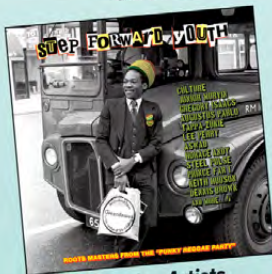
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## AUGUST

**In August, you've been to the Rototom Sunsplash. Was that your first time in Europe?**

Yes, it was my first time in Europe. It was really great! It was good to be there with **Cocoa Tea** who brought me out on my very first huge stage, so it was good to have that mentorship and that supervision in my space and it was a super experience! It was the biggest crowd I've ever performed in front of, the energy was great, the reception was great, and it was a blessing to be on that stage and feel the energy and the presence of everybody there.

**Not only did you perform there, but you were also on the panel at Reggae University. Can you tell us what subjects you talked about?**

They asked me about creating music, about my creation process between writing and recording, about my experiences in the music industry as a female, similar to what you asked me. They asked a little bit about the musical history of Reggae... and there were other artists on the panel, so I learned from their answers as well.

**You even greeted the people there in Spanish - do you speak Spanish?**

No! I actually researched what to say so that I could talk to the people (laughs).

**Is there any language that you would like to learn in the future?**

I think Spanish and French and also Dutch! I think it's a very interesting language and it's a little challenging as well, so I like to put myself to that task.



Also any African language, one of my biggest wishes is actually to spend some time in Africa, traveling through the countries and learn, so yes, definitely, I'd love to do that.

**SEPTEMBER**

**Back in Jamaica, you performed at the Back To School Event in your hometown Spanish Town. Did that feel special?**

It was a very extra special moment, because not only did I perform but also I was able to give out some of the tokens that we had. **Chronixx** was the one who put it on alongside **Govana** who is a Dancehall artist from Jamaica. They both collaborated and put on this event because that's where we're all from, Spanish Town. It was great to be there

and giving out tokens, seeing the kids hold a vibe and have some fun, go on the rides and see the parents listening to Reggae and Dancehall music, it was a great day, a special day. An inspiration for me as well to work hard so I can be able to give back and have an impact, not only in my community but also in my country and the wider world eventually.

**Did you meet some former school mates? It must have been funny because not long ago you've been there in school yourself!**

Definitely, but funny enough who I actually met up with was a young man who I went to the same primary school with in Spanish Town who actually happens to be **Chronixx**' little brother (laughs).



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## OCTOBER

In October, the world learned about your Columbia Record Deal. When did you actually sign and who was responsible to make that happen?

To be honest, I have to give all credits to **Ferdy Unger-Hamilton** who actually flew to Jamaica to meet with myself and my team to extend interest in us collaborating and me sign with the label. We signed in May, and right after that, I was in the writing process for quite a few songs, and we started to arrange for studio time. We also arranged release dates and strategy plans, preparing video scripts for certain songs... a little bit of rehearsal, just organizing, meetings and stuff, to start to get the ball rolling. That took place between May and October.

The videos you mentioned, were any of them shot in October?

Yes! That was when we shot the video for **Toast**. Actually it was a great experience, because I got the chance to work with **Xavier Damase** and **Mika Barroux**, these are two videographers from Europe. You know, they have a great energy and it was great to collaborate with them, it was a great experience. Them being able to share their culture with me, me being able to share my culture with them, and having them being in the country and enjoy their experience outside of shooting the video - it was awesome!

We also see **Protoje** and **Chronixx** in the video, who contacted them?

All right, for **Chronixx** it was **Pierre Bost** and his manager, Barnes, they got together. I think **Barnz** had an idea about me doing a project and **Pierre** gave him a little more information. They thought it would be a good idea to have **Chronixx** on it, and when they reached out to **Chronixx** he showed interest, so we definitely made that work because **Chronixx** is a very supportive person. Similarly with **Protoje**, I think he knew that I was shooting at the time and he was actually away. I have to give many props to him because on that day he came off the plane, he just flew in and he drove from the airport to the scene to shoot the video, so I have to give big big props to **Protoje** for that!



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## NOVEMBER

Let's talk about your trip to London. Was that your first time as well? I guess that experience is still very fresh!

Yes, it is. It was my first time, and definitely it felt cold (laughs) that caught me off guard a little bit. It was a new era being in a different culture like that and seeing still the strong support for Reggae music, for the same thing that we support in Jamaica, even across cultures. It shows how powerful music is and how powerful the love of music is and what people will do just to have music in their lives. Being there for the first time, knowing that I will go there often because working with **Columbia** and all that, it's definitely something I do look forward to. It was a great first impression for me being in England, being on that mad show with **Chronixx** too.

**You did a Meet & Greet in Brixton with him as well – did you get the chance to talk to some of the people there?**

Yes I did! It was mainly me talking to them for the most part! I signed a few flyers that I had, but for the most part it was just me taking pictures and talking, interacting with the people. They are very interactive, I liked that!

**November was also the month when Toast came out. Did you expect the instant success it had?**

No! (laughs) No, I did not, I really did not actually. I was wondering how people were going to receive it, because it is different from both **Raggamuffin** and **Burning**, it has a different vibe. So I was wondering how people were

going to receive it, but trust me... when I say „Gratitude is a must“, it really is! Because all of this, it really amazes me to see how much feedback and interaction this song has been generating and the video, and I know that **Xavier** who is the director he must be very proud because nobody never expected that! So it's a real pleasure.

**DECEMBER**

**Now, that makes us reach December. How did you spend your Christmas?**

I spent Christmas with mummy. Because I don't live with her anymore since recently, so we've been spending a little time apart, so on Christmas we just reunited and enjoyed the season, because she is on holiday from

work as well, so she enjoyed her free time as well, and we spent some bonding moments.

**We saw a powerful female performance at Live from Kingston...**

Ey, that setting was great! There was tons of people who came, the venue was totally packed, it was totally full with people who just support the female artists. It was a great heartwarming feeling to be there on stage alongside all the other female artists that have been helping me to burn the fire both in the country and internationally. So it's something to really look forward to, it feel good! The support was good, people singing everybody's lyrics and just a make noise - wow, that was definitely a night to never forget.



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## OUTLOOK 2019

You are coming to Europe again! Which dates are confirmed already? Do you also plan some Club Shows?

Definitely! We don't have any Club Shows confirmed yet, but I expressed interest with my team, so we are working on that. We are playing at **SummerJam** in Germany, and at **Rototom** again, as for other dates, we are still working on the tour plan. I really do want to see the countryside also, you know, because it doesn't make sense to go to these places and perform and not take the time out to indulge in the beauty, both physical and spiritual, just feel the energy vibrations.

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**KOFFEE**



Last but not least, let's talk about your upcoming EP *Rapture*. Was the process of compiling it a new way of working for you?

It was not really new, in a way it was natural for me because I was writing from since I was in high school, so... for me it wasn't like I sit down in the studio every day, because sometimes I get inspiration by going outside, sometimes by being in a taxi or walking somewhere. My lyrics come from everywhere, so it's just like me putting together a song over a period of time because every day some thing comes to me, I just work on it and sometimes I just brainstorm. It was a little bit different in the sense of making a body of work, but it wasn't much different in the sense of particularly sitting in the studio. It was a good experience and it definitely builds my character and my ability to work on music, you know.

Were there any special challenges?

Actually, **Toast** gave a lot of trouble (laughs). I had to hit the Studio like three time for the song, because I didn't get the tone right, but after a while I did.

**Toast** was produced by **Walshy Fire**, so that's already a **Wow**. You've known him since quite some time, right?

Actually, once I entered the industry, **Walshy** basically reached out to me. I have to give props to all these older people who actually reach out to the younger folks who are coming into the industry and starting to do music. So, yeah, he reached out to myself and my manager and set the link from day one and let us know that if we need riddims he will be there, so that's how that song even came about. He sent the riddim and I was inspired by it.



**Now, Raggamuffin produced by Frankie Music has been around for some time and it is hugely successful here, running on parties up and down. Let's talk about the three new songs. You mentioned Throne already - what is the concept behind that title?**

That riddim is created by **Walshy** as well, but the one that was released is a different version. But the original inspiration came from **Walshy Fire**, the riddim was great, dynamic and consistent, and it had a lot of vibes. For me, whenever I approach a riddim, I try to find the best way to compliment it, so I try to find what's the best way that me and that riddim can fit in the same space at the same time perfectly. So when I heard the riddim, I had a little bit of trouble aligning myself with it, I was like 'Wow I never heard anything like this before!' and it sounded very challenging and I sat there brainstorming and looking at it and I was just thinking how am I gonna do this? And then I was determined and thinking

I'm just gonna mash it up! And that determination alone just gave me the inspiration to come up with different flows and the lines and so - that was a very funny experience. **Throne** is a song you just have to listen to and feel the energy, I don't think it can even be explained. And watch the video, which was shot by **Xavier** as well!

**Blazin' is a collaboration with Jane MacGizmo and the producer Teflon ZincFence. It has a great energy! How did that link come about?**

**Teflon** and **Jane** are closely connected, so when **Teflon** and I came together and decided that we are going to do a song on that riddim, he told me that if I wanted to go collab with **Jane** I should just let him know, so I did and it was a great decision!

**That leaves Rapture, which is also the title of the EP. What does the word mean to you?**

To tell you the truth, **Rapture** is like my heartbeat of the EP because I think what it shows, because I named the EP **Rapture**, for me the message behind is representative of the purpose of the EP. Saying that I come in like a rapture, it's not enough by the song itself. I have to show the proof, so I have to bring the EP together and the other songs to show 'Look, I really made a move and I came here to work, to put in the vibes!' So for me, **Rapture** is... I don't know, it came from a passionate space. And the riddim also, I didn't know the producer **Lasanna „Ace“ Harris**, it came from my manager **Pierre**. I think that made it even more special to me because usually when I get a riddim it's from someone I know, but **Pierre** just sent it to me and I was so inspired and I'm looking forward to meeting him in person!

**We are all looking forward to the release! Before we part, I want to mention a quote „I want to bring positive change to the world, because I think that the world needs that more than just individual success.“ Can you elaborate on that?**

To be honest, I think, and this is not me pointing fingers but speaking from objective experience, a lot of times when artists would enter the music industry and they have their goals and dreams of becoming the biggest artist for this era or becoming bigger than another artist or being Grammy awarded or being on a big stage or a big show... for me, every time when I am asked what my accomplishments are, I can't bring it down to those things, like, I can't find the physical things to say what I want to do, and sometimes it feels like, I wonder if I need more ambition. But then, when I really think about it and put it into perspective, I think that my purpose is in a bigger space and is more aligned with inspiring people and touching souls and going to places, so probably maybe traveling could be the physical representation of what I wanted to do, but it's really just reaching out to actual people rather than accomplishing things that will die with me when I die, you know what I mean. Inspiration never really dies, it never does. So for me it's just getting out there, inspiring!

**That's the vibe to spread for 2019!  
Thanks so much!!!**



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# JULY

# MAGAZINE



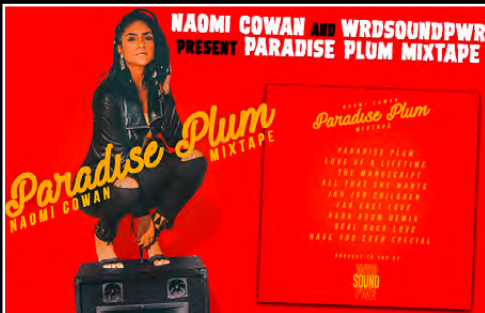
Damian „Junior Gong“ Marley

At age 13, Junior Gong formed the group The Shepherds together with Shiah Coore and Yeshemabeth McGregor. In 1992 they opened Reggae Sunsplash in Jamaica. 26 years later Damian Marley headlines the final night...



Raging Fyah - Kumar Bent

Even though there are dozens of positive sayings about changes and new beginnings that certainly contain a lot of truth, these news are a big shock. Lead singer Kumar Bent today announced his decision to leave Raging Fyah.



Naomi Cowan

Emerging reggae artist Naomi Cowan of Kingston, Jamaica brings a fresh twist to the classic mixtape concept with the Paradise Plum Mixtape. This project is presented by DJ Alpha Lion and mixed by Fyah Youth of WrdSoundPwr.



Playing For A Change

The new album by Playing For Change called Listen To The Music is out since April 2018 and includes a cover of Dennis Brown's anthem Rasta Children.



Dennis Brown

King Jammy Presents Dennis Brown - Tracks Of Life: the posthumous album with illustrious guests sees finally the day of light. Featuring an A-list selection of vocalists including Damian „Jr. Gong“ Marley, Alborosie...



Bob Marley & The Wailers

On the 24th of August, The Marley Family, Island Records, and UMC will collectively proclaim the sun is shining in celebration of 40 years of Kaya, Bob Marley & The Wailers' historic March 1978 release.

# MAGAZINE



**Ostróda Reggae**

Ostróda Reggae Festival has grown up! For its 18th birthday, guests from near and far gathered in the little lake town in Poland's beautiful Masuria to contribute their talent, their vibes or just their presence to the celebration.



**OverJam**

The 2010 relocation of Rototom Sunsplash from Osoppo to Spain created a vacancy for a verdant, mountain reggae festival in the North East Italian region. A year later, a group of promoters had the bright idea of staging...



**Gracy's Bash**

An iron eagle, a plastic palm-tree and a lion made from bicycle chains – the home of Diedel „Yardart“ Klöver is a creative one. Until recently, it accommodated his probably most well-known piece of art, the „Bolt of Bolts“...



**Reggae Sumfest**

Jamaica's reggae music industry's crème-de-la-crème consisting of several artistes, composers, and promoters were awardees of the Reggae Sumfest's inaugural Inspire Awards, which were held in a grand red carpet affair...



**SummerJam**

Cologne, Germany - SummerJam 2018! It's the 33rd edition and Reggaeville is on spot to bring you fresh photos, videos and more...



**Damian Marley**

On his 40th birthday (July 21) Damian Marley headlined Reggae Sumfest 2018, which was his fourth appearance within the past 10 years.

# VIDEOS



Chronixx



Ras Indio



Teacha Dee



Ras Muhamad



Alpha Blondy



Romain Virgo

Jah Cure feat. Phyllisia



Risk It All

Ky-Mani Marley



Love Over All

Stephen Dajure



Love Bump

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Jaz Elise



Lila Iké



Samory I



Jesse Royal & Kumar



Reggae Jam Mixtape



Richie Spice

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Popcaan



Minister Marion Hall



Natural Black



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Third World in Orlando, FL

## AUGUST

## MAGAZINE



## Rototom Sunsplash

What started in 1994 as a 2 day, 14 artist festival called I National Reggae Encounter featuring Buju Banton and others in a small town in Italy, this year celebrates 25 years as the largest Reggae Festival in the world...



## Ziggy Marley

Ziggy Marley @ Roxy Theatre in West Hollywood, CA August 10, 2018. Summer in Los Angeles no longer seems a complete season without a sweltering performance from Ziggy Marley and his band.



## Agent Sasco

In the very East of Kingston spans the district of Kintyre that is surrounded by the mountains on three sides and a river on the fourth, the West side. It is that very area that Jeffrey Campbell aka Sasco hails from.



## Reggae Jam

Reggae Jam 2018: 25 years of Reggae Jam! In this special year of silver jubilee and exceptional heat wave, Reggaeville presents you with the highlights and cool spots of this friendly (and, according to Riddim Magazine's...



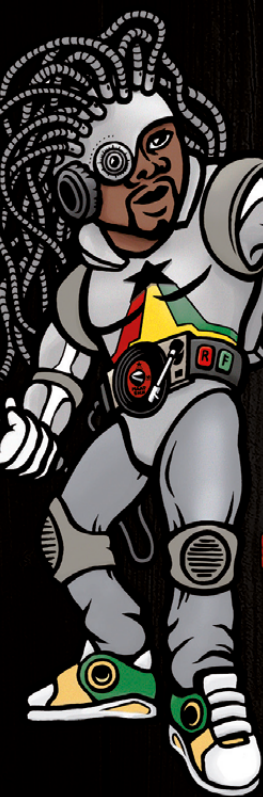
## David Rodigan

The set was billed as David Rodigan & The Outlook Orchestra. However, we were about to be taken on a musical journey the likes of which I have never seen or heard before. Going into it and based on the stage setup I thought...



## Richie Stephens &amp; The Ska Nation Band

Did you know that Jamaica is the only country that has given the world 8 (!) distinct genres of music in the second half of the twentieth century? As soon as you press play on Richie Stephens' new album Root Of The Music...



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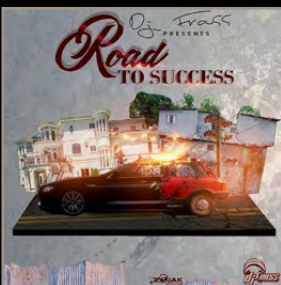
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Jahmiel in Pfullendorf, Germany @ Keep It Real Jam



Collie Buddz in Panama City Beach, FL



Spice in Mülheim an der Ruhr @ Ruhr Reggae Summer



Inner Circle in Alkmaar, Netherlands

# SEPTEMBER

# MAGAZINE



Third World

Reggae Ambassador's, Third World remain one of the most pivotal reggae bands of all time. The band will release their new single *Loving You Is Easy*, off their upcoming full length album to be released in 2019...



Reggae Can Help

Even though the subject is not present in everyday media anymore, the fight for survival on the Mediterranean Sea is still on. Still, thousands of men, women and children cross the waters to reach Europe, in search for a better life...



Groundation

Sometimes, chaos breeds something good. Our universe for instance, which emerged after a gigantic explosion. Or brilliant ideas that surface from a swirling mass of thoughts. Or the first track *Vanity* from Groundation's...



Johnny Osbourne

No singer spanned the roots and dancehall eras quite like Johnny Osbourne. His distinctive voice, somehow always hardened and wise beyond its years, seemed to work on any kind of rhythm.



Agent Sasco

There's a level of complexity in what Agent Sasco (who at one time was known simply as Assassin) does that other, more one-dimensional, dancehall acts are unable to achieve. Sasco writes and produces incredibly thoughtful

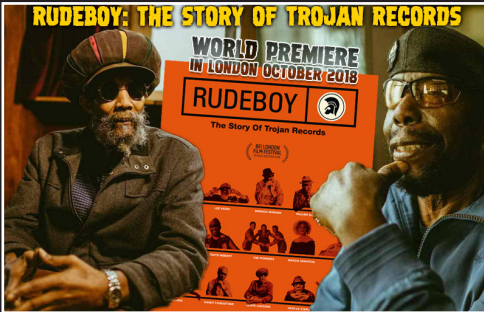


Feluké

It was more than two years ago at the celebrations of Bob Marley's 71st earthstrong on 56 Hope Road that I first got to witness the power and talent of Denver Feluké Smith live on stage.



# MAGAZINE



Rudeboy

Trojan Records celebrates 50th Anniversary with a new documentary on how Jamaican music launched a multi-cultural revolution and that Rudeboy: The Story Of Trojan Records has been unveiled as part of the line-up for...



Black Uhuru

Forget about the Grammy in 1985. Forget about Sly and Robbie. Forget about Mykal Rose and Junior Reid and Don Carlos and Puma. Forget about who came to dinner and forget about what's growing in your backyard.



Kingston All-Stars

Aged is the new cool! After decades of increasingly hectic attempts to chase youthfulness and be as „in“ as possible, the realization seems to seep through that, no matter what, we all grow older. The challenge is to do so in...



NAMED UN GOODWILL AMBASSADOR

Rocky Dawuni

Rocky Dawuni, a Grammy-nominated singer-songwriter was designated as the Regional UN Goodwill Ambassador at an evening of celebrations at the conclusion of the Global Landscapes Forum (GLF)...



Israel Vibration

Do you remember The Same Song by Israel Vibration? This debut single from the previously unknown Jamaican trio was created in the era of the beginning of roots music—in the early days of Bob Marley, Dennis Brown...



Bobby Hustle

Bobby Hustle and I are cut from the same cloth. We are both American-born, non-Caribbean descended, Jamaican music nerds. It's what we obsess over. For me, that obsession has mostly played out behind the turntables...

## VIDEOS



Da Fuchaman &amp; Lutan Fyah



Alborosie &amp; Raging Fyah



Mystic Pulse feat. Black Omolo



Damian Marley - Autumn Leaves



Stonebwoy &amp; Sean Paul



SOJA - I Found You

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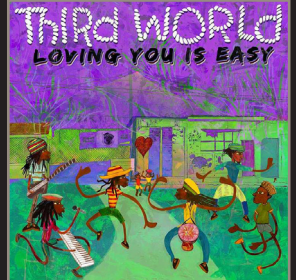
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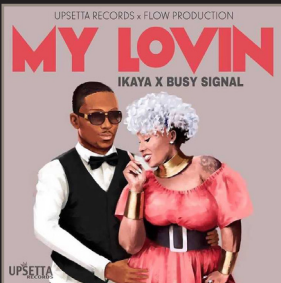
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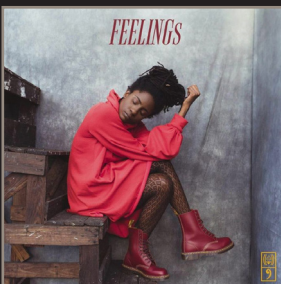
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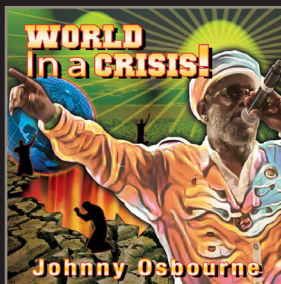
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German Dancehall Queen Contest in Berlin, Germany



Roughhouse in Cologne, Germany @ Jamaican Sunday Vibes



Klub Kartell feat. Dellé, Sebastian Sturm, Jahcoustix & Ganjaman @ Reggae Summer Night



Don Carlos & Fully Fullwood in Long Beach, CA

# HIGHLIGHTS 2018

Compiled by Ursula 'Munchy' Münch & Gardy Stein



**CHRONIXX**

To tour Africa twice in the same year was a highlight in which we covered new grounds including Seychelles and Gambia.



**KUMAR**

Life changing, eye opening, decision making and a challenging 2018, but I am rest assured and confident with the path I have taken. 2019 and beyond here I come.



**SAMORY I**

The best thing that has happened for me is that I had a son, the Most High blessed me with the feeling of knowing I man could create life, something precious to love and hold.



**KABAKA PYRAMID**

Releasing my debut album was an immensely satisfying feeling, but if I was to choose one highlight it would have to be **Kabaka Pyramid Live** in Kingston Jamaica.

What we were able to do without any sponsorship, with being forced to change the venue a day before the show, and only advertising myself **Jesse Royal** and **Kelissa** was incredible. I performed for 1 hour and 40 minutes with vibes from start to finish with appearances from **Zilla to Protoje** to **Koro Fyah** and lots more. It was a special night in front of a huge audience. It reaffirmed in my mind that Jamaica loves what we're doing with the music. No hype, just substance.



**NAOMI COWAN**

Gratitude is a must. After we released **Paradise Plum** and the visual so many positive vibes followed. I was then booked for **Dubwise Miami, Reggae Sumfest, Dubwise Trinidad, Grace Jerk Festival in Florida & Hold Tight** in New York. While in New York, I appeared on **FOX 5NY's** morning show **Good Day NY** - this would be my first National TV appearance in the US! The **Fox News** team later aired my entire performance and a short story about my music. **Paradise Plum** was the featured song on **Tidal's** new **RISING Reggae & Dancehall** playlist, the single has been featured on **Sirius XM Radio, Red Bull Radio, BBC 1Xtra** and many major platforms. Giving thanks!



**ETANA**

The album release of **Reggae Forever** was definitely our highlight - we were ecstatic about this album because we were aware of the high quality sound and lyrics which was evident in each track. To top this off being nominated for a **Grammy** validated all the hardwork put into this project, and the day that the **Grammy** nominees were announced on December 7, 2018, was very special. What moved me a lot was how competitive the releases in 2018 were. The year saw the release of some phenomenal albums which further propelled the reach of Reggae as a international genre and showcased exceptional talent and great music.



JAH CURE

My highlight in 2018 was definitely building my brand new recording studio. A special moment was when I was able to give back to the kids for the **Back to School** project and also to give back to the kids for Christmas in the community that I'm from.



KATCHAFIRE - LOGAN BELL

2018 was another huge year. We released our album called **Legacy**, the first one in 6 years. It went straight to number 1 within hours here in New Zealand, and also went on the **Reggae Billboard Chart**. We did two huge tours of the USA including Hawaii. Majah rajah! Most shows were sold out. We also found time to do two tours at home in New Zealand and a month long tour in Australia with our brothers **EarthKry** who were direct support. Most shows were sold out or close. Special mention to the **Pleasure Garden Festival!** Special moments were when we got to play right before **Chronixx** in Christchurch and then watched him live with his full band **Zinc-fence**, and when we got nominated for two awards at the New Zealand Music Awards. And we made it into the **Grammy** ballot!

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## OCTOBER

## MAGAZINE



Koffee

A little more than a year ago, we first heard about the exceptional talent of then 17-year-old Mikayla Simpson, better known by her artist name Koffee - and she hasn't stopped to amaze us since!



Bob Marley

Bohemian FC today revealed their 2019 O'Neills away jersey and it features a counterfeit of Bob Marley alongside a red, gold & green sash! Dalymount Park, a football stadium in Phibsborough on the Northside of Dublin...



Stephen Marley

Stephen „Ragga“ Marley - the eight-time Grammy awards winning and multi-talented singer/songwriter/musician/producer - announces his Acoustic Tour across the country. The momentous tour, which is being dubbed an...



Bob Marley

ReMastered - a new Netflix documentary series will dive into eight music mysteries. The first episode „Who Shot the Sheriff?“ investigates who is responsible for the shooting of legendary musician Bob Marley.



World Clash

The Famed World Clash Culminates 20th Anniversary in Canada. For Caribbean entertainment specialists Irish and Chin, sound clash is a way of life. And with roots firmly planted in New York and Jamaica,...



Chronixx

It just came to our attention, that there is a big fraud happening with an announced concert of Chronixx. It's scheduled for this week: October 6th, 2018 in Paris, France @ Cabaret Sauvage.



# MAGAZINE



Steel Pulse

Great news for all Steel Pulse fans! 14 years after their last album, the new album Mass Manipulation is announced to be released soon. We all know about the wide range of a „coming soon“ announcement...



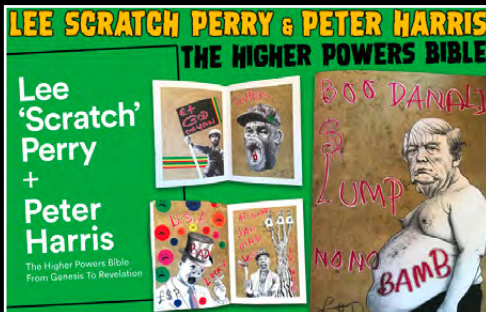
Manudigital

We are under attack! Instead of telling you to run and take cover, however, we advise you to come closer and listen. After touring extensively for his solo-debut Digital Pixel in 2016/17, French producer Manudigital took...



Lee Scratch Perry

Lee Perry's The Black Album reunites Scratch with producer and mixer Daniel Boyle for a record whose most surprising feature is how surprising it isn't. Scratch has been the fountainhead for decades of innovative...



Lee Scratch Perry

There's no fox like an old fox: at age 82, Lee „Scratch“ Perry teams up with British visual artist Peter Harris to release a book. Not just any book, of course, but The Higher Powers Bible!



Beres Hammond

Jamaica's top vocalist Beres Hammond is back, and thousands of ladies' hearts will skip a beat: with Never Ending, the veteran crooner presents „a musical guide to love, life & affairs of the heart“, as the official Press...



Gentleman's Dub Club

After this past summer's acclaimed project with The Nextmen, Gentleman's Dub Club return with the hotly anticipated album, Lost In Space. True connoisseurs of blending influences from genres such as dub, reggae, ska....

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Spice - Black Hypocrisy



Unlimited Culture - Culture



Fuse ODG feat. Damian Marley



Jahmiel - A Better Tomorrow



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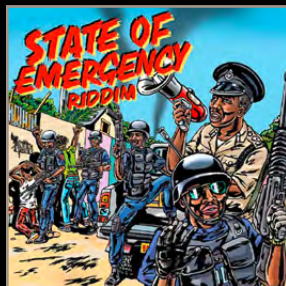
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Jesse Royal



Oneness Remixed



State of Emergency Riddim



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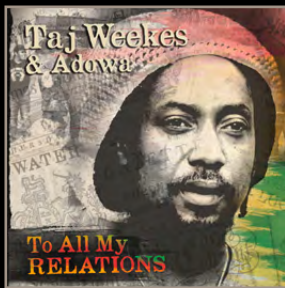


Thanks For Life Riddim



Teacha Dee, Anthony B...

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Natty Jean



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Pierre Nesta

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Peter Tosh Gala Awards in Kingston, Jamaica



Ruffpack International @ Amsterdam Soundclash



Andrew Tosh @ Peter Tosh Music Festival



Sanchez in Kingston, Jamaica



Luciano in Kingston, Jamaica @ Peter Tosh Music Festival

# NOVEMBER

# MAGAZINE



**Chronixx & Protoje**

On the evening of November 11th 2018, the Sunday when Britain traditionally remembers its war dead, Alexandra Palace in North London was giving thanks for life. 10,000 reggae fans climbed the hill to glass "People's Palace"



**Derrick Morgan**

Derrick Morgan looms large over the landscape of Jamaican music. The word cornerstone doesn't do him justice. He was among the first superstar singers of Jamaican R&B, ska, rocksteady and reggae.



**David Rodigan**

This Friday evening, November 16, 2018! We highly recommend to cancel all appointments, make sure nobody calls you for a lengthy chat and tune in to BBC Four at 10pm (UK time) for a diverting one hour documentary about...



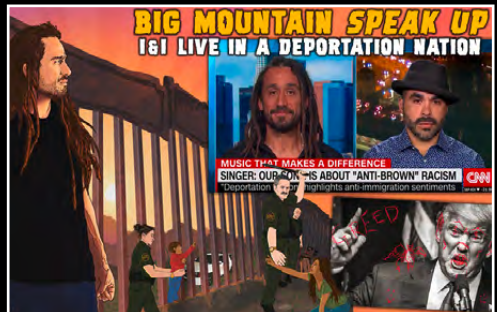
**Buju Banton**

Only 23 days to go... on December 8, 2018 Buju Banton will be a free man again. With only days before his release Buju Banton remains positive and in great spirits. He is currently counting down the days, along with millions...



**Reggae Music**

What a memorable day! Today, on November 29th 2018, Reggae Music of Jamaica has been included on UNESCO's Representative List of the Intangible Cultural Heritage of Humanity. Under nomination file No. 01398...



**Big Mountain**

A CNN news item entitled „Music that makes a difference: Group aims to raise awareness of border strife“, which aired November 20, discusses the sad reality behind Big Mountain's new song and video Deportation Nation...

# MAGAZINE



Reggae Grammy for Ed Sheeran, Chronixx...

During the last weeks, the board of experts working for the Grammy Awards were extremely busy with incoming submissions. Until August 22nd, entries could be submitted. Submissions were screened for eligibility



Bob Marley

Two weeks ago the Bohemian FC from Dublin, Ireland announced their 2019 away jersey, which featured a counterfeit of Bob Marley.



Mykal Rose

Even as the years accumulate behind him, Mykal Rose remains age-defiant, at least in performance. When the singer makes an album like this one, it's nearly impossible to assign it to an era based on his indefatigable energy...



Spice

Eleven days after Spice published a photo of herself with bleached skin, she has now revealed the truth about it. Here is the official statement...



Bob Marley & The Wailers

Omega Auctions based in the UK are one of the top auction houses worldwide for music memorabilia and vinyl records. Today the Music Memorabilia, Instruments & Equipment auction took place with a total of 503 lots.



Bay-C

„The only thing constant is change. This album is a testament of a new day, a new chapter... a new journey. A journey to the Holy Temple!“ All aboard? Roshawn Clarke aka Bay-C invites us on a trip to discover the music...

# VIDEOS



Julian Marley - Straighter Roads



Phat Cat - Inna Yuh Stereo



Alborosie & Chronixx



Spragga Benz - Differ



Luv Fyah - Deyah With Jah



I-Taweh - Rolling Stone

Sizzla



Think Wise

Brian Anu Gold



Ithiopia

Prince Alla & Kingston All-Stars



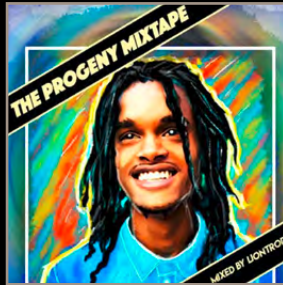
My Vision



# MUSIC



Apollo



Azizzi Romeo



Jo Mersa & Damian Marley



Lutan Fyah



Zuggu Dan



Stephen Marley

# RELEASES



Ras Haitrm



Verse iTal



Paolo Baldini & Mellow Mood



Young Shanty



Ras Demo x Silly Walks



Kim Nain

## PHOTOS



Akae Beka in Los Angeles, CA



Spice in Kingston, Jamaica @ Captured Mixtape Launch



Fujiyama in Berlin, Germany @ Who Runs The World Soundclash



Sevana & Hector Lewis in London, UK @ Zincfence Sessionz

## DECEMBER

## MAGAZINE



## Grammy Nominees

The 61st Annual Grammy Awards nominees have been revealed. Five releases are nominated in the category BEST REGGAE ALBUM. What are the eligibility requirements for nominations?



## Welcome To Jamrock Reggae Cruise

Damian "Jr. Gong" Marley Sets New Record In Cruise Business! 2019's Welcome To Jamrock Reggae Cruise Sell Outs One Year Before Sail Date Without Announcing Lineup.



## Allen Jahsana

Time To Remember! These three words are not only an encouragement to dig into the history of Reggae music, but also the title of a song written and performed by Allen „Jahsana“ Johnson.



## Etana

Etana has placed another historic accomplishment under her belt. The Strong one is the first female reggae artiste to sit on top of the Billboard chart twice and acquire a Grammy nomination for her album. This is the first time...



## Roger Steffens

On Saturday, November 17th, I was honoured to be a guest in the home of Roger Steffens. Actor, author, archivist, photographer, TV host, disc jockey and reggae specialist extraordinaire. Having completed a three-hour...



## Taj Weekes

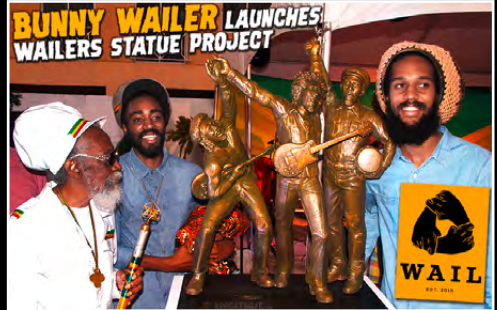
Across six albums, New York-based St Lucian singer-songwriter, poet and activist Taj Weekes has trod his uncompromising path in roots rock reggae. Throughout, his works have maintained their unabashed intellectualism...

# MAGAZINE



**Dalton Harris**

He made it! After six weeks of blood, sweat and tears, the X Factor UK just announced the winner - and it is Dalton Harris! Again, the young prodigy put his everything in this weekend's performance.



**Bunny Wailer**

On December 9th 2018, in Kingston - Jamaica, the Wailers Museum and Solomonic/Tuff Gong presented The Wailers Statue Project to the world. Dubbed A Rastafari Statue Of Liberty, a miniature version of the life-size...



**Sounds Under Your X-Mas-Tree**

Have yourself a merry Reggae Christmas! To make sure that you'll be able to enjoy your favourite musical genre during the holiday season, Reggaeville made a thorough X-Mas-Soundcheck.



**Big Mountain**

Big Mountain's recent single "Deportation Nation" reinvigorates the band's roots in the U.S.-Mexico borderlands and its commitment to using art as a tool for social justice. It's a dark and fierce roots reggae rebuke to the Trump...



**Jahbar I**

A new lion dehya pon di scene! At age 23, Jabari Miller aka Jahbar I releases his debut album Jahbar I Dehya. His involvement with music is no coincidence: his father is Melbourne George „Dusty“ Miller, drummer & bandleader...



**Bermooda**

Quietly and almost unnoticed, a new German group called Bermooda has developed its sound and brought it to perfection. With their debut album Unsterblich, they bridge the gap between big, internationally well-known...

## VIDEOS



Ras Charmer - Such A Long Way



Agent Sasco



Moja - Higher



Dre Island - My City



Right Band



Nature Ellis

Awa Fall feat. Kumar



Believe

Emeterians feat. Clinton Fearon



Fly With Me

Chezidek



Got It All

# MUSIC



Steel Pulse



Blue Water Riddim



Jah Bouks



Mo Ali



Kumar



Busy Signal

# RELEASES



Ashraff 30



Samini



Sanchez



Clive Matthews



King Charlz



Natiruts

## PHOTOS



Popcaan & Dre Island in St.Thomas, Jamaica @ Unruly Fest



Third World in Kingston, Jamaica @ Committed 45 Years





Yellowman & Tony Rebel in Kingston, Jamaica @ Rebel Salute Launch



Chronixx in Bakau, Gambia

# THE RETURN OF BUJU BANTON 2018

**NEWS & UPDATES**  
**BUJU BANTON**  
 TO BE RELEASED FROM PRISON

MARK ANTHONY MYRIE  
 Registrar Number: B6700-004

Age: 45  
 From: Barbados  
 Sex: Male  
 Located at: **McPhee CI**  
 Release Date: UNKNOWN

**BUJU IS OUT!**

BUJU TO BE RELEASED "SOME POINT TODAY!"

Prison Official **Starline**

**Buju Banton is out!**

The highly anticipated prison release of Buju Banton is scheduled for this Saturday, December 8. Or maybe one day earlier? The most recent articles by the Gleaner and Observer report that Banton has been released...

**BUJU BANTON**  
 UNCHAINED FROM PRISON  
 ON DECEMBER 8TH, 2018

**BUJU BANTON** LONG WALK TO FREEDOM  
 TOUR I'M COMING HOME BUJU BANTON

**Buju Banton Unchained From Prison**

One of the most evocative tracks Buju Banton ever recorded, *Destiny* sums up the basic desire of every human being for freedom and autonomy. And, in just two days, Mark Anthony Myrie will be a free man again, free to rule...

**BUJU IS HUMBLER AND FILLED WITH GRATITUDE AT ALL THE WELL WISHES!**

**OFFICIAL STATEMENT**

WE THANK EACH AND EVERY ONE OF YOU FOR THE OUTPOURING OF LOVE FOR BUJU BANTON UPON HIS RETURN HOME.

BUJU IS HUMBLER AND FILLED WITH GRATITUDE AT ALL THE WELL WISHES AND WOULD LIKE FOR THE NEXT FEW WEEKS TO BE WITH FAMILY AND FRIENDS. PLEASE STAY TUNED TO BUJU BANTON'S FACEBOOK AND TWITTER (@BUJUBANTON) FOR UPDATES.

WE WOULD ALSO LIKE TO THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT AND LOVE FOR BUJU BANTON. WE WOULD ALSO LIKE TO THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT AND LOVE FOR BUJU BANTON.

BUJU BANTON IS HOME **Starline**

Artist returns to Jamaica

**Official Statement**

Buju Banton's return to Jamaica brings not only excitement to his fans & friends and is of high interest for media houses, but is also a major topic for scammers, clickbait pages & youtube channels. Uncountable posts, shares...

**BUJU BANTON BACK IN THE STUDIO**  
 FIRST CONCERT CONFIRMED FOR MARCH 2019!

LONG WALK TO FREEDOM TOUR BUJU BANTON

**Buju Banton Back In The Studio**

Finally the date for Buju Banton's long awaited first concert has been confirmed: March 16, 2019! Best of the Best promoter Joseph Louis recently shared details about the event with Patricia Meschino.

**Video: DJ Khaled visits Buju Banton**

Just a few days after Buju returned home, DJ Khaled visits Buju Banton in Jamaica.

**riddim** MAGAZINE

NEW EDITION

**BUJU BANTON** FREE AT LAST

**Buju Banton @ Riddim Magazine**

The brand new edition of germany's Riddim Magazine will hit the streets next week thursday December 13, 2018. Subscribers received the edition #95 already and none other than Buju Banton is gracing the cover.

# FESTIVILLE MAGAZINE



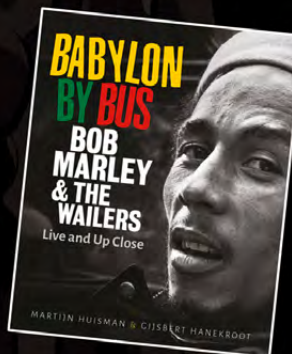
# FESTIVILLE 2018

REGGAEVILLE FESTIVAL GUIDE



## INTERVIEWS

**ALBOROSIE**  
**BLACK UHURU**  
**CEE JAY CARPIO**  
**DONOVAN GERMAIN**  
**GROUNDATION**  
**KATCHAFIRE**  
**PROTOJE**  
**ZIGGY MARLEY**



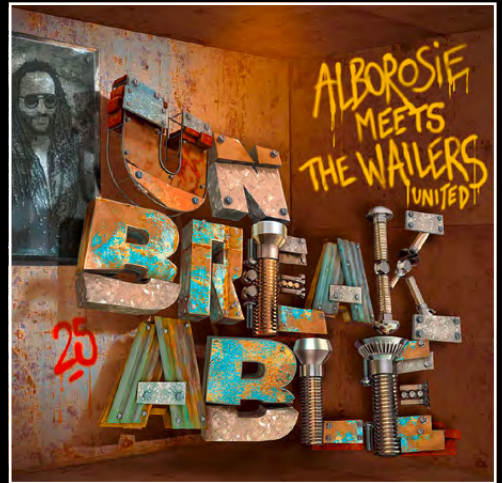
**SUMMER 2018**

# 100 FESTIVALS

# ALBUM OF THE YEAR 2018



#1 SAMINI - UNTAMED



#2 ALBOROSIE MEETS THE WAILERS UNITED



#5 MELLOW MOOD  
LARGE



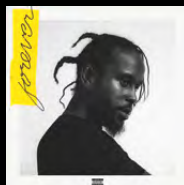
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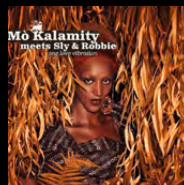
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MAD LOVE: THE PREQUEL



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TEN YEARS LATER EP



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FOREVER



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MEETS SLY & ROBBIE



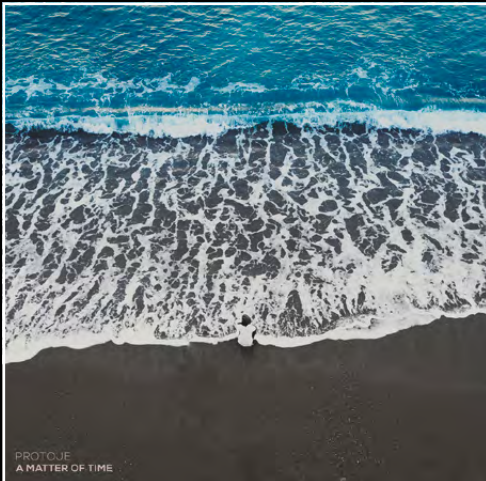
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PROTOJE  
A MATTER OF TIME

#3 PROTOJE - A MATTER OF TIME



KABAKA PYRAMID

#4 KABAKA PYRAMID - KONTRABAND



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SIZZLA  
Acoustic Sounds

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REGGAE FOREVER

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REGGAE FOREVER



ETANA  
Live in London

#10 ETANA  
LIVE IN LONDON



#16 IBA MAHR  
GET UP AND SHOW



#17 TAJ WEEKES  
& ADOWA  
TO ALL MY RELATIONS



#18 SPICE  
CAPTURED (Mixtape)



#19 SUN SOOLEY  
RISE AND SHINE



#20 TOMMY LEE SPARTA  
NEW CREATOR

#31 NEEKOSHY - ROARING LION #32 MICAH SHEMAIAH - ROOTS I VISION #33 ROMAIN VIRGO - LOVESICK #34 BERES HAMMOND - NEVER ENDING #35 CLIVE MATTHEWS - JAH LIVE #36 UB40 FEAT. ALI, ASTRO & MICKEY - A REAL LABOUR OF LOVE #37 LEE SCRATCH PERRY - THE BLACK ALBUM #38 DR. OLUGANDER ABUKPAPA - FRIENDS ON JOURNEY #39 JAH9 - FEELINGS

# WHA' GWAAN MUNCHY?!?



Kumar - It's Alright (Unplugged)



#45 Kumar



#44 Konshens



#43 Stonebwoy



#42 Inner Circle



#41 Romain Virgo



#40 Micah Shemaiah & The Dreadites



#39 Iba Mahr & Patrice

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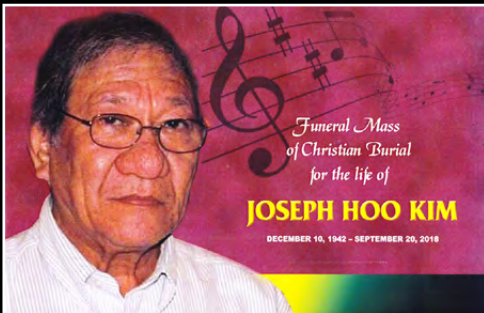
# REST IN PEACE 2018



France "Lineage" Nooks



Steve "Grizzly" Nisbett



Joseph Hoo Kim



Joseph Hoo Kim

Clarence "Count Prince" Miller  
 Demba Nabé (Seed)  
 France "Lineage" Nooks  
 Freddie Flint  
 Irie Ilodica  
 Irvin "Carrot" Jarrett (Third World)  
 Joseph "Jo Jo" Hoo Kim  
 Joseph Israel  
 Juba Lion  
 Junior History  
 Kevin "Million Voice" Young  
 Larry Silvera

Luv Fyah  
 Minion "Sister Minnie" Phillips  
 Neville Lee  
 Niko Chromatic  
 Norris Weir (The Jamaicans)  
 Peter Simon  
 Ras Kimono  
 Sam Clayton  
 Steve "Grizzly" Nisbett (Steel Pulse)  
 Tony Williams  
 Trevor McNaughton (The Melodians)  
 Wesley Tinglin (The Viceroy's)





**OFFICIATING**  
 Kes (Rev. Fr.) Walede Dawit  
 Kes (Rev. Fr.) Gebre Selassie  
 Assisted by Deacons

Inferment to take place at  
 Bovecot Memorial Park

CHRISTIAN RITE OF BURIAL FOR

**Milton Cistyn Phillips**  
 (Wolete Ision - Daughter of Zion)  
 SISTER MINNIE  
 October 10, 1949 - September 17, 2018

The University Chapel  
 UWI Mona Campus

under the auspices of the  
 Ethiopian Orthodox Church

September 28, 2018 | Commencing: 10:30 A.M.



**Pall Bearers**  
 Jim's Church:  
 Andrew McPherson • Kevin Smith • Sharon Smith • Adahle Reid  
 Robert Chin • David Phillips

St. Ann Church & St. Francis:  
 Peter Phillips • Robert Phillips • Robert Chin • David Phillips  
 Andrew McPherson • Keith Smith

**Requiem Agonians**  
 The family wishes to express sincere thanks and appreciation to all well-wishers and friends who have offered their loving support through prayers, visits and other acts of kindness during this time.

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**Sister Minnie**



**NEVILLE OSCAR LEE**



**Acknowledgments**  
 The family of the late Neville Oscar Lee wishes to express their sincere thanks and appreciation to all for their expression of love, sympathy and support given to the family during our recent time of bereavement. We give special thanks to the Medical Associates Hospital, Attending Doctors especially Drs. Edward Chung and Angela Scott, the Hospital Nurses and staff. His Care Givers in Hospice Nurse Dawnie Innes, Nurse Althea Wilson, Nurse Andrea Gayle, and Nurse Kathleen Willock who took care of his wife and himself at home, his Church family, others who supported in giving us their unconditional love, love and support; you were all phenomenal to work with. We the family would like to say a HEARFELT THANK YOU. May the Good Lord continue to bless and keep you all in His love and care.

**Neville Lee**

*Mass of Christian Burial For*

**NEVILLE OSCAR LEE**  
 (SEPTEMBER 2, 1937 - JULY 31, 2018)

At  
 STS. PETER AND PAUL CATHOLIC CHURCH  
 120 OLD HOPE ROAD  
 KINGSTON 6  
 JAMAICA W.I.

**TUESDAY  
 AUGUST 28, 2018**  
 AT 1:00 PM.

**OFFICIATING:**  
 Most Rev. Kenneth D. Richards DD  
 Archbishop of Kingston  
 Rev. Bishop Tubbans S.J.  
 Rev. Dec. Derrick Forester

**ORGANIST:** Mr. Clyde Walters  
**CANTOR:** Mr. Keith Williams

*Celebration of the Life of*

**CLARENCE LINBERG**  
 'COUNT PRINCE' MILLER, CD  
 30th March 1934 - 16th August 2018

Louise Bennett Garden Theatre  
 Karyn Williams Entertainment Centre  
 36 Hope Road, Kingston CD

Wednesday, 17 October, 2018  
 @ 11:00 a.m.



**CLARENCE LINBERG**  
 'COUNT PRINCE' MILLER, CD  
 30th March 1934 - 16th August 2018

*Thank You*

Ms. Ivan Peters Miller and the family of Mr. Clarence 'Count Prince' Miller, CD, are truly appreciative and deeply comforted by your kind support, expression of sympathy and goodwill during this time of bereavement.



**Officiating Clergy:**  
 His Excellency Pastor Seth George Ramocean, CD  
 (Jamaican High Commissioner to the United Kingdom)

**Moderator:**  
 The Reverend Dr. Thomas 'Tommy' Cowan, DD

**Organist:**  
 Mr. Carmel Lewis

**Choir:**  
 Novaus Performing Arts Company

**Ushers:**  
 Staff of the Ministry of Culture, Gender, Entertainment & Sport



**Clarence "Count Prince" Miller**

Whonix  
SKANKING  
SWEET