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RJD2 Announces New Album, *The Fun Ones*, Out April 17th on RJ's Electrical Connections

[Watch Video For Lead Single, "Pull Up On Love"](#)



(Photo by Nick Fancher)

RJD2 is pleased to announce his return with new album, ***The Fun Ones***, out **April 17th** on **RJ's Electrical Connections**, alongside lead single, "**Pull Up On Love**," and its accompanying video. His first album since 2016's *Dame Fortune*, *The Fun Ones* is the seventh solo album in the constantly expanding RJD2 catalog. Assembled as a mixtape using samples taken from a number of conversations with his contemporaries, including **Phonte Coleman, J-Zone, Kid**

Koala, Mr. Lif, and Son Little, *The Fun Ones* draws largely from the basic DNA of hip-hop and funk music, with heavy brass, plenty of thump, and slick chord changes.

Though *The Fun Ones* largely emphasizes modern funk and instrumental music, RJ still occasionally flirts with vocal stylings across the album. On **“One Of A Kind,”** RJ links up with **Homeboy Sandman**, pushing the levels of syncopation into the red. **“A Genuine Gentleman”** sees RJ and the king of west coast abstract rhyming, **Aceyalone**, reuniting on record for the first time since 2006 over a Meter’s-esque groove.

Longtime RJD2 collaborators, **STS** and **Khari Mateen**, reconvene on lead single, “Pull Up On Love,” to bring the spirit of James Brown to the quintessential Atlanta rib shack. **Jordan Brown** steps in to bring a falsetto lilt over a cacophonous drum break that would leave Ginger Baker scratching his chin. *“This tune started with some Zigaboo-inspired drums, a nice little sweeping guitar lick, and a bass line that left plenty of space for wherever Slim (aka STS) was gonna take the track,”* says RJ. *“I purposely left some room to fill out the track once the vocals were in place. So when Slim sent it back to me, and Khari had did his thing on it, it had such a great vibe to it that I didn’t want to drench the track in production tricks and overdubs. I wanted the vocal performances to shine, so I basically cleaned up the mix, did a few breakdowns, and left it as is. It was great for the three of us to link up once again, since it had been years since we did ‘See You Leave’.”*

RJ, STS, Mateen, and Brown all appear in the song’s accompanying video, filmed at the **Ogden Theatre in Denver**, alongside **Chuck Palmer** on drums, and **Stephen Greenberg** on bass.

Watch RJD2’s Video for “Pull Up On Love”

<https://youtu.be/8uxL0xhRQBk>

RJD2 will play select dates in support of *The Fun Ones* this spring, including dates in **Atlanta, Seattle, San Diego, Austin, Columbus, Brooklyn**, and **Boston** at **Boston Calling Music Festival**. A full list of dates are below, with all shows on-sale now.

Pre-order *The Fun Ones* -

<https://orcd.co/rjd2thefunones>

***The Fun Ones* Tracklist**

1. No Helmet Up Indianola
2. Indoor S’mores
3. 20 Grand Palace
3. One of a Kind
5. High Street Will Never Die
6. Pull Up On Love
7. All I’m After
8. Flocking To The Nearest Machine
9. And It Sold For 45k

10. The Freshmen Lettered
11. A Genuine Gentleman
12. Itch Ditch Mission
13. My Very Own Burglar Neighbor
14. A Salute To Blood Bowl Legends

RJD2 Tour Dates:

- Fri. Feb. 21 - Atlanta, GA @ Variety Playhouse
- Sat. Feb. 29 - Millvale, PA @ Mr. Smalls Theatre
- Fri. March 20 - Seattle, WA @ Nectar Lounge
- Sat. March 21 - San Diego, CA @ Music Box
- Thu. April 9 - Austin, TX @ Empire Control Room & Garage
- Fri. April 10 - Boulder, CO @ Boulder Theatre
- Sat. April 25 - Columbus, OH @ Otherworld
- Sun. April 26 - Cincinnati, OH @ Urban Artifact
- Fri. May 22 - Brooklyn, NY @ Elsewhere
- Sat. May 23 - Boston, MA @ Boston Calling Music Festival

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