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Damu The Fudgemunk Shares New Single, [“God Speed” \(Feat. Blu\)](#)
From New Album, *Conversation Peace*,
Debut Release from Def Pressé’s *KPM Crate Diggers* Series, Out Sept. 3rd



(Photo Courtesy of Damu The Fudgemunk)

Washington, DC-based artist and producer, **Damu The Fudgemunk**, releases **“God Speed” (Feat. Blu)**, a new single from his forthcoming album, ***Conversation Peace***, out **September 3rd**. Following Damu’s most recent release, ***Ocean Bridges* - last year’s collaborative album with Archie Shepp and Raw Poetic** - ***Conversation Peace*** is the first installment in the ***KPM Crate Diggers*** series from London-based label **Def Pressé**, and was entirely recorded using samples from **KPM’s iconic music and sound design library** (famously sampled by the likes of **Jay-Z, 2Pac, Drake, Common, Kid Cudi, Madlib, Prince Paul, MF DOOM, J Dilla, Gorillaz**, and more).

Following ***Conversation Peace***’s lead single **“Four Better Or Worse (Pt. 1)” (Feat. Nitty Scott)**, “God Speed” is a memorable work, and the first collaboration from Damu and Blu since the two artists released ***Ground and Water*** together in 2019. Easily in the tradition of Blu’s reputation for thought provoking lyricism, “God Speed” is classic material, from Blu’s opening hook to Damu’s closing scenes of drum rolls and dramatic textures. A Blu fan in his

own right, Damu knew the instrumental would be ideal for the rapper once he discovered the main sample after hours of exploring KPM's vast library. "I knew Blu would know exactly what to do with this!" says Damu. The string composition provided a great sense of power and emotion that led the producer to the song's namesake. In fact, when Damu presented the track to Blu, the only direction given was the two words, "God Speed."

[Listen to Damu The Fudgemunk's "God Speed" \(Feat. Blu\)](#)

Conversation Peace began with a trip to KPM's London HQ in late January of 2020. "As a record collector, I'm very familiar with the legacy of the KPM brand," says **Earl Davis** (aka Damu the Fudgemunk). "Listening to the entire catalogue was a history lesson and the amount of great composers and compositions in the recordings was endless. From drums to sound FX to orchestras to small rhythm sections to ambient noises, I heard a wide variety of things and they were all so well produced and recorded. The history of KPM and the opportunity to collaborate with the prestigious lineage made the stakes very high for me and I knew I needed to deliver a quality product. It's an honor to be the first artist to release a 'KPM Crate Diggers' title."

"Damu the Fudgemunk came to our studio in London to carefully dig his way through the whole KPM 1000 series," says **Peter Clarke of EMI Production Music**. "If anyone is in doubt about sampling being an artform, they just need to watch him work! It's great to breathe new life into all these old recordings, too. And then place it straight back into library music for use in media. Exactly how it was originally intended."

Conversation Peace Tracklist:

01. Power of the Mind (Feat. Raw Poetic)
02. Reporting
03. Enchanted Spirits (Feat. Insight)
04. Upload Optimism
05. God Speed (Feat. Blu)
06. Four Better or Worse (Pt. 1) (Feat. Nitty Scott)
07. Four Better or Worse (Pt. 2) (Feat. Blu)
08. Four Better or Worse (Pt. 3) (Feat. Raw Poetic)
09. Four Better or Worse (Pt. 4)

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About Def Pressé & KPM/EMI's KPM Crate Digger Series:

An exclusive partnership between Def Pressé & KPM/EMI, the ***KPM Crate Diggers series*** consists of new albums by select producers made entirely of samples from the **KPM archives**, as well as other renowned library music labels including **ColourSound, Selected Sound, Themes International, Conroy Recorded Music Library**, and **Francis, Day & Hunter**, all of which Def Pressé artists also have exclusive access to. These releases will be entered into the KPM archives for future use as “library music,” making these producers “KPM Artists” in their own right. The *KPM Crate Diggers* series will kick off with Damu The Fudgemunk, and see forthcoming releases from **Jazzy Jeff, Stro Elliot** (of **The Roots**), **J-Live, Chris Dave** and many others to be announced in the coming months.

About KPM:

A production music label dating back to 1956, the KPM library contains over **30,000 original recordings** of non-commercial music made for licensed use in television, film, radio, or any other media outlet. Ranging from cinematic symphonic themes to bizarre sound effects, elaborate environmental landscapes of computer-synth orchestras to film scores, these licensed recordings, commissioned without the pressure of generating commercial hits, have long been a treasure trove for producers digging for samples. Currently, the classic KPM archives boast over 30,000 original recordings by acclaimed library composers such as **Keith Mansfield, John Cameron, The Mohawks founder Alan Hawkshaw, The Shadows drummer Brian Bennett, David Bowie and The Beatles’ collaborator, Alan Parker**, and **Exotica pioneer Les Baxter**. A massive amount of work has gone into taking care of these aged reel-to-reels, vinyl records, and DATs. They have been painstakingly digitized and made available to Def Pressé and the selected artists working on these projects.



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