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THE NOTORIOUS MAX OF A KIND



"I JUST WANT MY FANS TO LOVE MY WORK AND TO RELATE TO IT"

The Notorious Max is back and he is better than ever.

No one had heard from Max Carey for a while, but now he is back and is ready to show the world what he is made of - determined to take the world by storm as part of his come-back in 2024

The much loved Notorious Max has been missed by many and in particular for the impact he had on hip-hop culture and the massive influence he had on rappers who we know and love today. Many questioned his long disappearance, but he is back and he's gonna show the world what he's made of!

WHAT IS YOUR FAVOURITE SONG OF ALL TIME THAT INFLUENCED YOU?

"Lucid Dreams by Juice Wrld, without him I wouldn't be who I am today. He inspired me to get into Hip-Hop. His lyrics are so deep and speak to me on another level. It was this song which made me realize that I could express my true self.

WHAT MADE YOU WANT TO TAKE A BREAK FROM CREATING MUSIC?

"Back in 2016 I had my first child, and then I suffered a tragedy when my wife passed away back in 2017. I had to make being a dad my main priority and also had to deal with my grief. This had a real impact on my creativity and I felt that I had nothing to give. I wrote music during that time as a way

"Well when I was in my late teens when I was about 17, I would listen to a lot of Juice Wrld. Listening to his music really inspired me to make music as I saw how he used it as a form of self expression. I had struggled to express myself and had had some difficult times growing up and when I heard Juice Wrld I saw how music could be used as a way of communicating and I came to the conclusion that this would work for me too. I never expected to have such a significant impact on Hip-Hop culture but now I am hoping to inspire people to become musicians just like how Juice Wrld inspired me to be who I am today."

CAN YOU TALK ABOUT YOUR NEW ALBUM?

"I don't want to give too much away but I think my fans are going to love it. It still retains elements of my old work but I have experimented a bit with a different direction and have channeled my emotions into it. I think being a father and dealing with grief have made me mature and this comes across in my music."

PERFORMING ON STAGE REQUIRES A LOT OF ENERGY. WHAT IS YOUR SECRET TO BEING SUCH A PRESENCE ON STAGE?

"I used to use alcohol for energy and also as a coping mechanism after the loss of my wife. This therefore led me to depression but I'm in a much better place now and I've also quit drinking now that I have responsibilities. I have also started to keep myself fit and eat well."

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WHAT TOP ARTISTS SAY ABOUT MAX



JUICE WRLD

"A GIFTED ARTIST WHO MAKES CATCHY MELODIES"

TRAVIS SCOTT

"THE GREATEST ARTIST"

KANYE WEST

"KNOWN AS A GENIUS IN THE RAP INDUSTRY"