

OUR LOVE FOR MUSIC IS NOT BOUND BY OUR BORDERS



INDIE MUSIC FROM 4 COUNTRIES

On 15th August 2020, India will be celebrating 73 years of Independence. Considering the times we live in, filled with racism, political unrest, fear of immigrants, threats of war, economic crisis and a global pandemic, we thought it was important to remind each other that no matter where you come from, we are all human and our love for music is not confined by geographic boundaries. So, for the whole month of August 2020, Maed in India will be celebrating independent music made and performed by India's Neighbours.

As we venture across our Indian borders, we're bringing you pop, reggae, rock, folk, electronica, and more from some of the most talented musicians from Pakistan, Sri Lanka, Bangladesh, and Nepal.

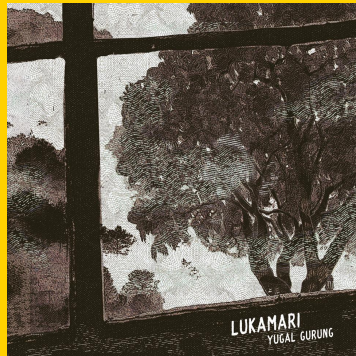
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SHAN VINCENT DE PAUL

To kick off our celebration of India's neighbours, we have Canadian hip hop artist Shan Vincent de Paul accompanied on the mridangam by Yanchan on an episode of Maed in India. Both Shan and Yanchan come from families who fled Sri Lanka in the 1980's during the height of the Civil War and arrived in Canada as refugees. Shan was born in Jaffna, the epicenter of most of the violence during the war. In addition to the unique musical collaboration of hip hop rhymes over traditional Carnatic mridangam beats, during the interview Shan takes us through his journey of leaving Sri Lanka with his mother and five siblings without his father, dealing with racism in school and now raising his daughter in a way that maintains a connection to his Tamil roots.

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OUR NEIGHBOURS MIXTAPES

We have two episodes dedicated to independent musicians from 4 of India's geographical neighbours, i.e. Pakistan, Nepal, Bangladesh and Sri Lanka. The music and artists featured on the episode has been a voyage of research and discovery. It is a collaborative effort between Maed in India and 12 artists. As we've taken the time to get to know them, listening to their stories, and understanding their music, we've realised that their struggles and passion mirror the lives of Indian independent musicians.

Some of the artists featured on our episodes include Sri Lankan reggae rock act, The Soul, who through their music talk about the impact of war, pop duo Biryani Brother (who are actually two incredible women and the founders of the Lahore Music Meet festival) from Pakistan, and Yugal Gurung, UK based Nepali singer songwriter who has dedicated the proceeds from his current album to COVID relief in Nepal. That's just the tip of the iceberg.

Our hope during these untoward times is that regardless of borders and politics, we want to promote a sense of love and camaraderie through music and our humble little podcast.

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WHO WE ARE

Maed in India is India's first indie music podcast. It began in 2015 and as of today has released over 250 episodes, showcasing the best music coming out of India. The show prides itself on being the premier destination for new music, little known stories and unreleased songs never heard before.

There are two kinds of episodes - one that presents an interview with an artist/band along with an exclusive stripped down in-studio session or acoustic renditions of their original music. The other is our #MaedMixtape - a playlist of songs from various parts of the country, of varying genres that truly highlights the diversity and musical talent that exists. The show features all kinds of artists from new-comers to veterans, under a variety of genres from hip hop, blues, soul, to folk, punk, rock, and everything in between.

Musicians featured on the show include - Indian Ocean, Euphoria, Apache Indian, Prateek Kuhad, Karsh Kale, Hard Kaur, Ankur Tewari, Nikhil D'Souza, Warren Mendonsa, Alisha Pais, Vasuda Sharma, Naezy, Parvaaz, Ladies Compartment, etc to name a few.

In 2018, Maed in India was part of the top 7 shows chosen by the Apple Podcasts Team as the best podcast of the year. Currently, Maed in India is the #1 music podcast in India on Apple and Spotify.
