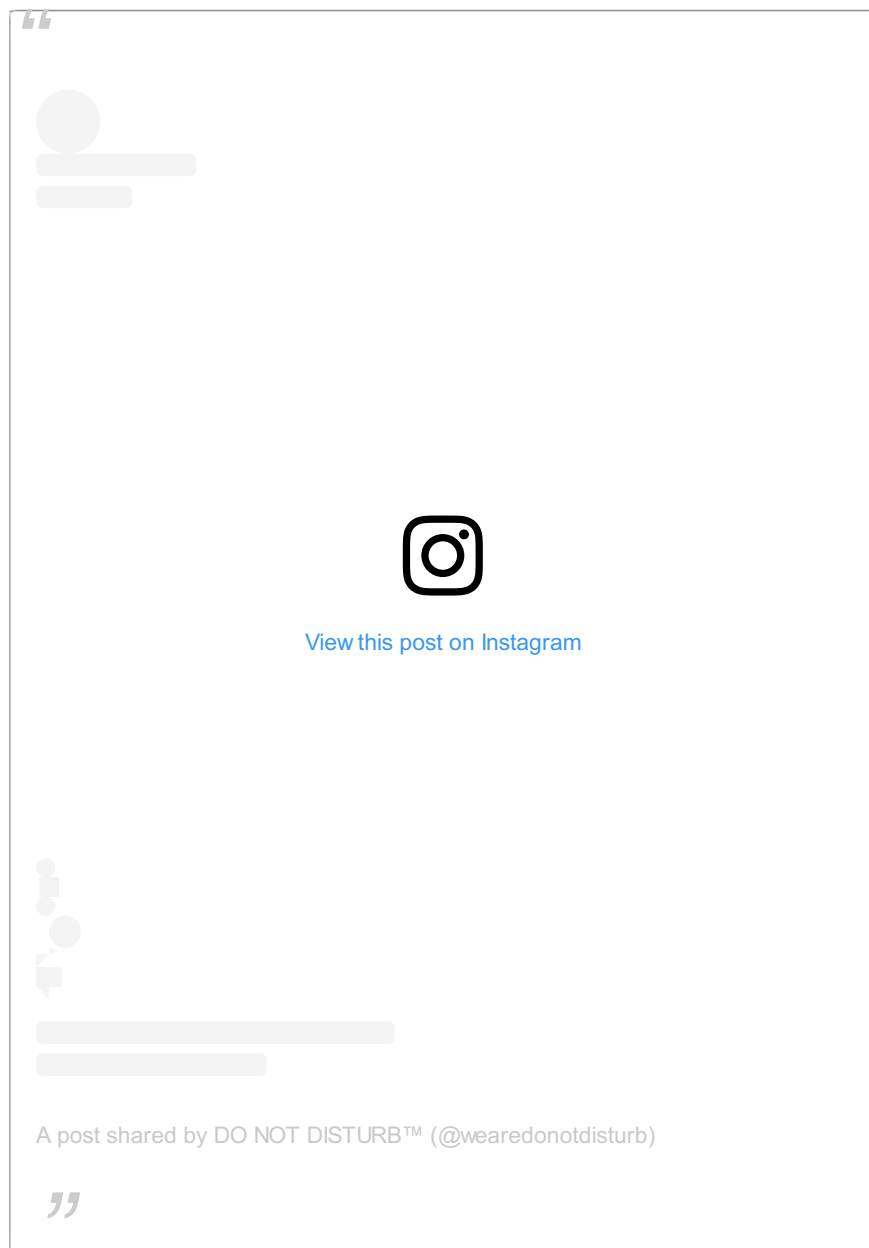


# Do Not Disturb release debut single

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Do Not Disturb is a production and songwriting trio based in Cape Town. The group is made up of Evan Raffels and Jordan Simons with Nicole Mason fronting the band. They have just released their debut single *How Far*.



## ■ ***The new decade means:***

Starting again, with a new perspective. I feel good about the future.

## ■ ***Fame is about:***

Having the ability to make a difference on a great scale

## ■ ***Retirement will happen when:***

When I need a walking stroller to move from one place to another.

■ ***I don't do:***

Negative attitudes during the creative process. I find it toxic and demotivating. When we create, we're aiming to create something amazing.



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■ ***What does music mean to you?***

Music is a gift and a powerful tool which can change someone's life in one lyric, chord or drumbeat.

■ ***My music is about:***

Experimenting with different genres my music is about love, relationships, fantasy and experiences throughout my life.

■ ***I would love to co-write with:***

Max Martin. He is one of the greatest songwriters of all time, with 24 Billboard Hot 100 number-one songs to his name.

■ ***Where do you go for inspiration to create?***

I draw my inspiration from people around me and my overall appreciation for art.

■ ***What is the most enjoyable aspect of your work?***

Learning from those around me and having real conversations with artists and musicians, which allows everyone in the room to see things from more than one perspective.

▣ ***The song you must do in every show?***

Valerie by Amy Winehouse.

▣ ***Any funny moments on stage?***

My keyboard switched off while doing a live recording, the show had to go on and I just had to smile and mime until the sound team sorted out the technical issue.

▣ ***What is your most treasured possession?***

My laptop.



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▣ ***It's your round what are you drinking?***

Tequila! It's the best of both worlds.

▣ ***Nicknames:***

Bacon, because it rhymes with my surname Mason and the fact I absolutely do not have love for bacon.

▣ ***If you were not a musician what would you do?***

I'd want to be a psychologist.

🎬 ***Who would play you in a Hollywood Blockbuster and why?***

Zoe Kravits because she is pretty empowering in personality and on screen. She also looks like she can kick butt!



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■ Pick five words to describe yourself?

Creative, genuine, caring, kind and random.

■ **Five Favourite SA albums:**

Jimmy Nevis - *Subliminal*

Jimmy Nevis - *The Masses*

Craig Lucas – *Restless*

Mi-Casa - *Self Titled 2011 Album*

Elaine - *Elements*

■ **What song changed your life?**

Any song from Britney Spears during her teenage years, most probably *Hit Me Baby One More Time*. That was when I realized that I wanted to become an entertainer whether it was singing or dancing.

■ **What is your favorite word?**

‘Awe.’

■ **Favorite Fashion Garment:**

A bulky sneaker or combat boot

■ **Your greatest achievement:**

My first official song that I released in 2019 called *Intimate* under the alias, “Mason.” It was a song about empowering women and their bodies. A reminder that no one was or is entitled to or in control of their bodies but them.

■ **What do you complain about most often?**

Artists in Cape Town don’t get the recognition they deserve.

■ **On stage I tend to:**

Take out my phone and take a video of the stage and the crowd. This allows me to reminisce.

■ **Wishes and dreams:**

I wish to be the best version of myself as a person and an artist.

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