

Skratch Bastid, DJ Nu-Mark, and Friends

Friday, March 1, 2019 at 8:00pm
This is the 920th concert in Koerner Hall

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Skratch Bastid

Paul Murphy, better known by his stage name Skratch Bastid, is a world renowned DJ and producer. He is a three-time winner of the coveted Scribble Jam DJ Battle and is currently a global ambassador and judge for Red Bull's Thre3style DJ competition. Known for his comfort and versatility in different styles – hip hop, funk, disco, club, rock, and just about anything that makes people dance – Skratch Bastid has showcased his skills in over 30 countries. Every summer he celebrates his culture in various cities across Canada through an event series called Bastid's BBQ. In 2008, he became the first ever Canadian DJ to be nominated for the Juno Award for Producer of the Year, showing that he is just as comfortable in the studio as he is on stage. In 2016, he received another Juno nomination, this time in the Instrumental Album of the Year category, for the *Spin Cycle* project with the Afiara String Quartet, which premiered in Koerner Hall during the 21C Music Festival in 2015. With unrivalled technical skill, a sixth sense when it comes to play selection, and an infectious charisma on stage, many have said that Skratch Bastid is likely your favourite DJ's favourite DJ.

DJ Nu-Mark

Producer, turntablist, and veteran member of the legendary hip hop group Jurassic 5, DJ Nu-Mark is considered one of the most creative on the scene, from deploying children's toys to rocking the largest turntable to ever exist. He has worked with legends such as Charles Bradley, Aloe Blacc, and Method Man, started his own label, Hot Plate Records, scored films, created a viral internet series, and landed a spot on prime time TV.

At the age of 13, he became a DJ in the Los Angeles house party circuit and, over the last two decades, has amassed an immense collection of rare records from around the world, catapulting him into the critically acclaimed hip hop outfit, Jurassic 5. After releasing a slew of hits and classics with the group, he is best known for his production on the raw anthem "What's Golden" from their *Power in Numbers* album released in 2002.

In 2004, Nu introduced himself as a solo artist and has remixed songs for Nas & Damian Marley, produced for *Saturday Night Live*, and constructed his critically acclaimed debut album, *Broken Sunlight*.

Most recently, Nu-Mark introduced his Zodiac Tracks strictly vinyl mixes, where he pays homage to pivotal musicians and artists by mixing them seamlessly in their respective astrological sign in a live birthday tribute video. After reaching millions of views, Nu-Mark teamed up with Method Man for an exclusive song to honour all the astrological signs in a song called "Zodiac Killah." Nu will be performing every zodiac sign live in an all vinyl mix for his release shows coming soon.

Skratch Bastid made his Royal Conservatory debut on May 23, 2015, and DJ Nu-Mark is making his Conservatory debut tonight.