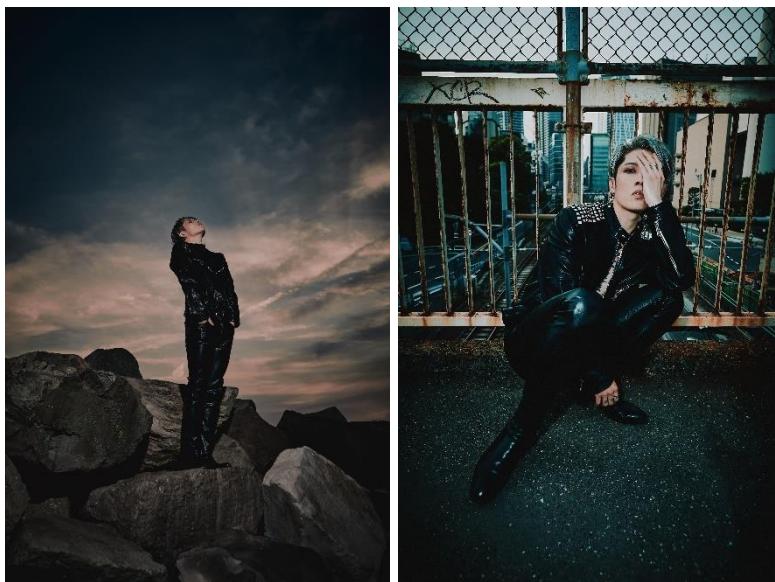


## MEDIA UPDATE

### **Japanese guitarist MIYAVI, American DJ and musician Gryffin, and Latin themed festivities added to line-up of events for Marina Bay Sands' music festival *Where Music Takes Over***

SINGAPORE (30 June 2023) – Renowned Japanese guitarist and singer-songwriter MIYAVI, American musician Gryffin and a full-day of Latin themed festivities will be adding more star power and excitement to Marina Bay Sands' inaugural music festival, *Where Music Takes Over*, from 15 July to 2 August.



*Japanese guitar virtuoso MIYAVI will be performing live at Marina Bay Sands on 22 July*

Takamasa Ishihara, better known by his stage name **MIYAVI**, will take the stage at Marina Bay Sands on 22 July as part of his *Return of the Samurai Guitarist* tour. Known to his fans as the “Samurai Guitarist”, the guitar virtuoso has released 13 studio albums since his solo debut in 2002. His skilled and unique style of guitar playing has taken him on eight world tours across over 30 countries, and he has most recently released his latest album titled *Imaginary* in 2021. That same year, he released a signature Telecaster with Fender guitars. Apart from his music, the multi-talented **MIYAVI** is also accomplished on the silver screen, with major roles in movies and films, such as Netflix thriller *KATE*, Oscar-nominated film *Unbroken* and Disney’s *Maleficent 2*. A style icon, **MIYAVI** has appeared as the face of Beats by Dr. Dre in Japan and in Moncler’s Beyond campaign. As the face of Gucci Japan, he has also appeared in Gucci’s Off the Grid campaign.



*MARQUEE Singapore presents performances by renowned rapper A\$AP Ferg and DJ Gryffin*

Over at MARQUEE Singapore, festival-goers can party with American DJ and producer **Gryffin**, who will be fuelling the crowd with his future bass and feel-good signature hits on 28 July. **Gryffin** shot to fame for his prowess within the house genre after releasing his debut single “Heading Home” in 2016, and has since played at some of the biggest music festivals worldwide. Joining him will be American rapper and hip-hop icon **A\$AP Ferg**, who will be performing his chart-topping hits and channeling his signature vocal delivery on 21 July. Having proven to be a global sensation who has achieved notable chart success, **A\$AP Ferg** has collaborated with industry heavyweights like French Montana, Snoop Dogg, Nicki Minaj and Tyga.



*From L-R: Artists performing at Latinfest 2023! on 29 July at Sands Expo & Convention Centre*

Rounding up the festival’s new highlights is **Latinfest 2023!**, which is set to bring non-stop musical excitement with a line-up of exceptional artists to immerse showgoers in the vibrant world of Latin music. Held at Sands Expo & Convention Centre on 29 July, the one-day carnival of music will treat music fans to captivating performances of diverse musical styles, inviting all to dance, sing, and connect with the infectious rhythms and vibrant spirit of Latin music.

The full-day programme will see back-to-back performances by an impressive line-up of performers, starting off on a high note with **Steve Thornton's Afro Asia** playing an explosive syncopate of percussive rhythms that blend music influences from Latin America, Africa and Asia. Other highlights of the event include performances by one of Mexico's greatest jazz pianists and composers – Grammy-nominated **Hector Infanzón**, and a dynamic performance by **Ireson** and **Veronica Barboza** that fuses traditional Latin rhythms with contemporary harmonies to produce a captivating sound that pays homage to the beauty of salsa music.

Throughout the day, the festival's atmosphere will be kept alight with a DJ spinning the hottest Latin tracks to keep the energy high between each live performance. Latin dance lessons will also be held during **Latinfest 2023!** to encourage all showgoers to fully engage with the music and immerse in the joyous art of Latin dance. Tickets for **Latinfest 2023!** will go on sale online on Thursday, 6 July.

**MIYAVI**, **Gryffin** and **Latinfest 2023!** shores up an already stellar line-up of performances at *Where Music Takes Over*, headlined by leading names in global entertainment. For more details and updates on *Where Music Takes Over*, go to [marinabaysands.com/musicfestival](http://marinabaysands.com/musicfestival).

For more ticketing information, please refer to the table below.

1	<b>A\$AP Ferg</b> Date & Time: Friday, 21 July 2023 Venue: MARQUEE Singapore Ticket prices: S\$80 for ladies, S\$90 for men, and S\$200 for expedited entry <small>*excludes booking fee</small>
2	<b>MIYAVI</b> Date: Saturday, 22 July 2023 Venue: Sands Expo & Convention Centre, Hall D Ticket prices: VIP: General standing: S\$88 <small>*excludes booking fee</small>
3	<b>Gryffin</b> Date & Time: Friday, 28 July 2023 Venue: MARQUEE Singapore Ticket price: S\$40 for ladies, S\$50 for men, and S\$100 for expedited entry <small>*excludes booking fee</small>
4	<b>Latinfest 2023!</b> Date: Saturday, 29 July 2023 Venue: Sands Expo & Convention Centre, Hall D Ticket Prices: General standing: S\$28 <small>*excludes booking fee</small>



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