

ANNEX D – Bios of Pop-Up Noise: The Great Singapore Replay Emerging and Established Artists

S/N	Emerging Artists	About
1	.gif	Tucked in between dark beats, deft lyricism and immersive vocals lies indie-electronic duo .gif. Weish and Din started .gif in late 2012 as a passion project. The pair often draws from literature, theatre, and film in their music, and have earned critical comparisons to the likes of Portishead, Little Dragon, Björk and The xx. The band has performed in London, Manila, KL and Jakarta. They have also played at major festivals such as St. Jerome's Laneway Festival and Baybeats.
2	Debbi Koh	With her mellow voice, Debbi is an up-and-coming indie singer-songwriter who aspires to touch listeners with her music. After her first YouTube video in 2012, Debbi has gone on to leave her mark in competitions like "The Final One" where she emerged Top 8. Her first single, "Frankenstein", was released in 2014 and was played on Singapore's hit radio station, 987FM. Debbi has also collaborated with artists such as Charles Enero and MMXJ, and is set to release her debut EP later in 2017.
3	Jasmine Sokko	Jasmine Sokko breaks free from daily rigidity and finds inspiration in fashion, dystopian films and thrillers. Blending deep house and ghostly vocal abstracts, she captures the spirit of non-conformists. Spotify named her debut "1057" the must-listen local track of the day. With over 3 million streams, it topped Spotify Singapore's Top 50 Viral chart. TODAY named her one of the most exciting local artists and she has garnered international attention from Australia, Taiwan, Russia and England.
4	JAWN	With honest song writing and a heartfelt blend of folk and blues, JAWN is poised to enchant listeners with his signature voice. An experienced performer, JAWN has played internationally at Byron Bay Bluesfest, Melbourne Music Week, and Queenscliff Music Festival.
5	Joie Tan	At the tender age of 13, Joie started developing a serious interest in music, which led to the discovery of her personal sound today. Her foray into the limelight started with her covers of vocal-heavy

		songs on YouTube. Each song is marked with her signature, svelte, rich vocals. Joie released her debut single “Stay” this year, and looks forward to sharing her music as an album in the near future.
6	Shak'thiya	<p>Inspired by blues, folk, bossa nova and soul, Shak expresses melancholic lyrics with folk tunes. He started off as an open mic singer at various venues and have since organised open mic sessions himself to foster and gather musicians to showcase their work.</p> <p>Shak performs solo and with his band, Shak and The Baits, at venues and events such as Hard Rock Cafe, Singapore Night Festival 2016, BeerFest 2016, and Esplanade.</p>
7	Spacedays	<p>Spacedays is a rock band that primarily draws inspiration from their motto, “Some days we just need some space to observe and to reflect”.</p> <p>Through guitar-driven songs complemented by keyboard, the band explores a self-proclaimed “psychedelic groove rock” sound. The band has performed at several music festivals, including Fun & Laughter Fest II, 100 Bands Festival and Baybeats 2014.</p>
8	The Betts	<p>The Betts is an indie rock/pop band consisting of four like-minded rascals with the common goal of getting people to dance and let loose with every note.</p> <p>Starting out in late September 2015, and after numerous covers, they decided to get together and write original music with melodies and lyrics that people can relate to. And dance to. They can't stress that enough.</p>
9	Theodora	<p>Theodora has been steadily carving her mark on the local music scene since 2012. She started with a humble YouTube channel that set her on an upward trajectory. She has since performed at Esplanade Concert Hall, Recital Studio and Upper Concourse. In 2014, Theodora was a part of the Noise Singapore Music Mentorship Programme, and in 2015, she played at Singapore's very own alternative music festival, Baybeats. Just last year, Theodora opened for American singer-songwriter Joshua Radin.</p>
10	Umar Sirhan	<p>Umar, 19, is an aspiring singer-songwriter. He started singing in choir at 8, picked up the guitar in secondary school, and hasn't stopped since. Music</p>

	<p>is how he relieves stress, and song writing gives him perspective during darker moments.</p> <p>His goal is to one day write songs that meaningfully engage his audiences' lives, and maybe even inspire others to do the same. He has played in his Polytechnic and at external venues like Hard Rock Cafe Singapore and Lepark.</p>
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1	Amanda Ling	<p>Amanda Ling is a musician and DJ. She is most recognised as the keyboardist for notable local groups In Each Hand A Cutlass (2010 - present), Electrico (2004-2009) and Throb (2003-2004). Under the DJ moniker, Doopz, she has been involved in the electronic music and dance scene since 2005.</p> <p>Her passion in music led her to explore the medium from a therapeutic angle. Now a sound therapist using Tibetan singing bowls, she continues to deepen her knowledge of sound therapy.</p>
2	Charlie Lim	<p>Charlie Lim's music stretches across acoustic melancholia, neo-soul, post-rock and electronic-pop. His latest release, TIME/SPACE, topped the local iTunes chart within an hour of release. His songs have since reached more than 1.5 million plays on Spotify. TIME/SPACE was awarded Best Pop Album of 2015, and publications like Time Out considered it one of the best releases of the year.</p> <p>Charlie performs solo and with his band The Mothership across lauded regional music festivals.</p>
3	Dru Chen	<p>Indie-soul singer-songwriter Dru Chen infuses old and new sounds to evoke distant memories. Grounded in old-time rhythm & blues, while weaving rock and pop sensibilities, Dru Chen's music is driven with a profusion of hooks blended with sensuous grooves. A multi-instrumentalist, producer and songwriter, Dru stands out first and foremost for his stunning falsetto, highlighting his dynamic vocal range.</p>
4	Eddino (Force Vomit)	<p>Force Vomit started out of an inspiration from the lyrics of Debbie Gibson's "Electric Youth". With a rare combination of six-string guitars, four-string bass and two-stick drums, the band brings to life</p>

		<p>the sounds of rock and roll misfits from the 50s to the 00s.</p> <p>They have since put out 2 albums, wrote soundtracks to several films and TV shows, and played many live shows in the region. The band now plays sporadic shows either as a quartet or quintet.</p>
5	Ginny Bloop	<p>Ginny Bloop is the vocalist fronting two critically acclaimed acts, The Steve McQueens and Riot In Magenta. With quirky stylings, Ginny Bloop delivers a hypnotising blend of jazz, funk, R&B and rock.</p> <p>She has performed both locally and internationally, at the Mosaic Music Festival, Baybeats Festival, and Tokyo Arts Festival amongst others. In 2014, Ginny Bloop opened for renowned indie band, Chvrches.</p>
6	iNCH	<p>iNCH is always surprising people with her breadth of musicianship and depth of personality. A performance veteran, she has had varied experiences on the world stage, from major local events such as Baybeats and Singapore Arts Festival, to lauded international arts festivals, including South by Southwest Festival (SxSW) in Texas, CMJ Music Marathon in New York, and TED x Women in Washington. iNCH has opened for international acts such as Katy Perry, Vampire Weekend and The Like.</p>
7	Joshua Tan (The Fire Fight)	<p>Joshua Tan is the songwriter and musician who fronts The Fire Fight (indie-rock), and with A Vacant Affair (post-hardcore), he rouses the mosh-pit with a 120-decibel payload.</p> <p>A part of the music scene since 2001, Joshua has fostered countless friendships with independent bands, collectives and audiences throughout Asia and beyond. He continues to contribute to the vibrancy and future of the indie music scene as both a musician and music programmer at the Esplanade.</p>
8	Sara Wee	<p>A LASALLE College of the Arts (School of Music) graduate with a Diploma in Music Technology and a Degree in Jazz Vocals, Sara is a seasoned and sought-after musician with 14 years' experience performing at established local spots with her band 53A. She is a vocal coach, music director and vocal director in musical theatre productions. Passionate</p>

		about growing the music scene, Sara is a part-time lecturer at LASALLE and a mentor to budding musicians under the Noise Singapore Mentorship Programme.
9	M1LDL1FE	<p>Previously known as Take Two, this indie pop quintet blends jazz-inspired guitar and soaring vocals to create anthemic island-pop and indie rock with a smattering of jazz.</p> <p>In little over two years, these boys have gone from playing covers in school to playing for audiences in Malaysia, Thailand, Spain, and China.</p> <p>Their debut EP “PAIRS” was lauded one of the definitive local indie releases of 2015. The band have since opened for international acts like Death Cab for Cutie and played at regional festivals like Baybeats.</p>
10	Vandetta	<p>Vanessa, known by her Radio DJ moniker, Vandetta, started out in theatre prior to joining now defunct hip hop groups Urban Xchange and Parking Lot Pimp. She is part of the audio-visual collective, Syndicate and formed Octover, an electronic duo, with producer Jason Tan. Vanessa has a solo music career inspired by hip-hop, jazz, indie and new-wave sounds. “Fly”, her first single off her Vandetta EP, received positive reviews from influential media such as Pitchfork, MTV Iggy and the LA Weekly.</p>