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From childhood tragedy and anti-school rebellion to storytelling troubadour, DD Allen's journey is an emotionally-fuelled challenge of determination over defeat.

It's a journey that finds him dancing on the edge of any known genre. But you'll recognise influences from The War on Drugs, Sam Fender, The Killers, early Springsteen, Dylan and Neil Young.

You can feel it in the music. A shyness and vulnerability that hints at a need to find solace in the soul of the songs. And the songwriting dials in the attention: fervour-filled stories of people, places, and things that seem so relevant to the world we live in.

DD Allen's rousing full-band live performances are responsible for sold-out shows, main-stage festival appearances, and European tour support for Vintage Trouble.

Self-built and self-funded, DD Allen engages a growing worldwide fanbase with his deeply engaging 'music for thinkers'. The eagerly awaited debut EP 'Rebel Hero' is set for release in October 2022.



Media Pack

Press images and logos are available to download at https://ddallen.com/press-kit

No login is required.

Music and Social Links

Official Site: <u>https://ddallen.com</u>

Spotify:

https://open.spotify.com/artist/1T6HN6bgaMhGQspaCz1XdY?si=oUE9yDDIQE-mFiSw7w U5vg

Apple Music: https://music.apple.com/gb/artist/dd-allen/1164225861

Soundcloud: https://soundcloud.com/ddallenofficial

YouTube: https://www.youtube.com/c/DDAllen

Deezer: https://www.deezer.com/en/artist/11178708

Tidal: https://listen.tidal.com/artist/8241979

Facebook: <u>https://www.facebook.com/ddallenofficial</u> Instagram: <u>https://www.instagram.com/ddallenofficial</u> Twitter: <u>https://twitter.com/ddallenofficial</u>



Media Coverage

Music News, FLEX, Clout, Wonderland, Mystic Sons, Purple Melon, Music Crowns, Turtle Tempo, Atwood Magazine

Flex Music Blog - Interview https://www.flexmusicblog.com/post/interview-dd-allen

Wonderland Magazine https://www.wonderlandmagazine.com/2020/12/29/new-noise-dd-allen

Mystic Sons - Getting to Know DD Allen https://www.mysticsons.com/article/getting-know-dd-allen#.YTnil9NKjUJ

Quotes

"DD Allen is making the kind of music deserving of any main stage at any of the top festivals. He's a huge talent. Awesome voice and a great songwriter. I'm anticipating big things."

Matt Spracklen (TV Judge, BBC1 Altogether Now TV, Mainly Music Pod,
Hard Rock Cafe Piccadilly Circus Ambassador)



"Oozing confidence and direction, DD Allen is the real deal with an awesome stage presence."

- Bournemouth Daily Echo

"The gorgeous voice of DD Allen"

- Fern Balch, BBC Radio Solent

"DD Allen has a brilliant voice. It harks back to the period of great charismatic singers such as Dylan, Van Morrison, Neil Young and Leon Russell — those singers that you only needed to hear a few lines to know who they are."

- Stuart Epps (Music Producer – Elton John, Robbie Williams)

"A very, very cool band."

- Rob da Bank (Bestival, Camp Bestival founder)

"There's something exciting about the music of DD Allen — sort of a cross between Jake Bugg and Neil Young with a great deal of honesty in his lyrics."

- James Blunt

"DD Allen is a storyteller in the mould of Bob Dylan and Neil Young. I listen to hundreds of new albums a year but it has been a very long time since I have heard more beautifully written songs. DD Allen really is that good."

- Louder Than War



Festivals Played

Boardmasters, Larmer Tree Festival, Purbeck Valley Folk Festival, Camp Bestival, Chagstock, Teddy Rocks, Smoked & Uncut, Tonefest, Arts By The Sea, Electric Picnic (Ireland), Grooves On The Green, Dorset Midsummer Festival, SUBU Summer Ball.

Highlights

- Support James Blunt at the BIC
- Perform for UN General Secretary Ban-ki Moon
- Awarded 'Best International Music Video' at the Cardiff Film Festival
- National finalist, Pogues Irish Whiskey Shot At Discovery (O2 Islington)
- National finalist, Bestival Invaders of The Future
- National finalist, Best of British Unsigned Male
- First headline show (The Old Fire Station, Bournemouth)
- Featured on Spotify's official 'Fresh Finds' playlist
- Curated and trended on ReverbNation's new 'Discover' app
- Featured on tastemaker Matt Spracklen's 'Mainly Music Podcast'
- Supported Vintage Trouble in the Netherlands
- Headlined Grooves on the Green festival
- A sold-out show at the Lighthouse, Poole (Live and Unheard)
- Artist of the month, Rarity Rock Radio



Influences

The War on Drugs, The National, Bob Dylan, Sam Fender, Noel Gallagher, Ryan Adams, Bruce Springsteen

FFO (For fans of)

The Killers, The War on Drugs, The National

Management

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