

MIKKY EKKO TO RELEASE DEBUT ALBUM *TIME* THIS FALL

FIRST SINGLE “SMILE” PREMIERED TODAY ON SPIN – AVAILABLE AT ALL DIGITAL RETAILERS AND STREAMING PROVIDERS



(LOS ANGELES – CA) Grammy nominated artist Mikky Ekko will release his debut album *Time* this fall through RCA Records. The first single “Smile” premiered earlier today on [Spin](#) and is currently available at all digital retailers and streaming providers. Listen to “Smile” [here](#). “Smile” was co-written by Mikky Ekko and Jim Eliot, produced by Elof Loelv, and executive produced by Dennis Herring. The album will include collaborations with Dave Sitek, Jeff Bhasker, Stargate, and Dennis Herring, as well as Ekko’s previous collaborators Clams Casino, Nick Ruth, Justin Parker, Ryan Tedder, and Benny Blanco.

Praised as a “powerhouse vocalist” (The Fader), Mikky Ekko has been described as a “rising secret star among a tiny cadre of multitalented producers, instrumentalists, and singer-songwriters who are blowing up solely from the genre spanning power of their music” (Nylon). Ekko’s “The kind of artist that is able to balance creative production and arrangement with traditionally well-written music.” (Pigeons & Planes)

Following last summer’s release of his track “Kids” and his first US tour - a run of dates supporting Jessie Ware, Mikky released an EP, featuring songs culled from his performance at iTunes Festival in London when he opened for Justin Timberlake in October last year. Additionally, Ekko co-wrote, produced and was featured in Rihanna’s single “Stay” which became one of the biggest hits of 2013, selling over 10 million tracks worldwide peaking at #3 on the Billboard Hot 100 and #1 on the Pop Songs chart in the U.S., and earning Ekko a Grammy Award nomination for Best Pop Duo/Collaboration. He also delivered a memorable live performance of the song with Rihanna at the 2013 Grammy Awards.

Ekko, a Louisiana native who currently resides in Nashville, co-wrote and is featured on Chris Malinchak’s current single, the disco stormer “Stranger.” Mikky Ekko was recently nominated for a 2014 MTV Video Music Award with David Guetta for “Best Video with a Social Message” for the song “One Voice,” which the two recorded for the United Nations’ “The World Needs More” campaign. Mikky’s music has already been licensed in True Blood, The Blacklist, Grey’s Anatomy, Orange is the New Black, Homeland, and more. Additionally, Mikky is working on several projects with various artists including Zedd, Gwen Stefani, Giorgio Moroder, Rihanna, and others.

YouTube: <http://smarturl.it/SmileAudio>

SoundCloud: <http://smarturl.it/SmileSC>

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