

GRAMMY-NOMINATED SINGER/SONGWRITER RO JAMES RELEASES NEW SINGLE “EXCUSE ME”

FROM HIS FORTHCOMING SOPHOMORE ALBUM DUE OUT THIS
FALL VIA BYSTORM ENTERTAINMENT/RCA RECORDS

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[August 10, 2018 - New York, NY] Grammy-nominated singer/songwriter **Ro James** returns today with “**Excuse Me.**” The track is the lead single from his forthcoming sophomore album due out this fall via **ByStorm Entertainment/RCA Records.** [Click here](#) to listen.

“Excuse Me” is written by James and co-produced by **Pierre Medor** (Ciara, French Montana, Toni Braxton) and **Tricky Stewart** (Frank Ocean, Beyoncé, Usher).

James is also set to embark on Jessie J’s The R.O.S.E. Tour this fall, kicking off on October 1st in San Francisco. The tour will make stops in major cities including Chicago, Philadelphia and New York before wrapping in Los Angeles.

Earlier this year James released his 4-track *Smoke EP.* [Click here](#) listen. He first treated fans to the single “**Lost My Mind**” ft. **Notorious B.I.G.** on March 9th, the anniversary of the legendary Brooklyn-rapper’s death. The track is produced by **Salaam Remi** (Amy Winehouse, Nas, Miguel). [Click here](#) to see Ro’s tribute post on Instagram. The *Smoke EP* features additional production by **Soundz** (Bryson Tiller, Justin Bieber, Wale), **Andre Harris** (Rae Sremmurd, Jill Scott, Yo Gotti), and **Tricky Stewart** (Frank Ocean, Beyoncé, Usher).

James’ *Smoke EP* is the follow-up to his critically acclaimed debut album *ELDORADO*, which included his hit single “**Permission.**” “Permission” has been streamed nearly 150 million times worldwide, earned Ro his first-ever Grammy nomination for Best R&B Performance and spent 10 weeks at #1 on the Urban

Adult Radio chart. Additionally, he earned nominations for Best New Artist at the 2017 NAACP Image Awards and Best New R&B Artist at the 2017 iHeart Radio Music Awards.

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About Ro James

Born in Stuttgart, Germany to a military father turned preacher, **Ro James** found himself moving around for most of his childhood. From Indiana, California, Hawaii, Oklahoma to the place he now calls home, Jamaica, Queens, music was always in the forefront of James' life. His musical inspirations come from the sounds of Johnny Cash, Prince, Tupac, Jodeci, and more. Since his emergence in 2013, Ro James has worked with the likes of Snoop Dogg and Brenmar. That same year he also released an EP trilogy: *Coke, Jack & Cadillacs*, which received critical praise from outlets such as *The FADER*, *The Source*, *VIBE*, and *Hypebeast*. Since then James has been covered by outlets including *NPR Music's* Tiny Desk Concert series, *Interview Magazine*, *Rolling Stone*, *Us Weekly* and more. *Noisey* calls his music, "a subtle blend of smoothed out, soulful R&B..." and *Billboard* declares "James' sound is reminiscent of the greats, think Prince meets D'Angelo..." Combining these influences with his journey, he has crafted his best work to date on *ELDORADO*. Released in May 2016, James' debut album *ELDORADO* entered the charts at #3 on The Billboard R&B Albums Chart and #8 on the Top Hip-Hop/R&B Albums Chart.

James has toured with the likes of The Dream, Toni Braxton, K. Michelle, Erykah Badu and most recently with Maxwell and Mary J. Blige on their “King + Queens of Hearts” Tour in fall of 2016. He also embarked on his own headlining North American “XIX” Tour with dates in Europe in Amsterdam, London and Paris in early 2017.

With his official return and the release of his “Excuse Me,” Ro James is fortifying his place in music with soulful grit and impassioned vocals, all while continuing to share his journey along the way.

Jessie J “The R.O.S.E. Tour” Dates:

October 1st – The Warfield - San Francisco, CA
October 3rd – Vogue Theatre - Vancouver, Canada
October 4th – Crystal Ballroom – Portland, OR
October 6th – Showbox SoDo - Seattle, WA
October 8th – The Depot - Salt Lake City, UT
October 9th – Gothic Theatre - Englewood, CO
October 11th – State Theatre - Minneapolis, MN
October 12th – Riviera Theatre - Chicago, IL
October 14th – Royal Oak Music Theatre - Royal Oak, MI
October 16th – Rebel - Toronto, Canada
October 17th – Metropolis - Montreal, Canada
October 19th – Hammerstein Ballroom - New York, NY
October 20th – Electric Factory - Philadelphia, PA
October 22nd – House of Blues - Boston, MA
October 23rd – The Fillmore Silver Spring - Silver Spring, MD
October 25th – Buckhead Theatre - Atlanta, GA

October 28th – Warehouse Live - Houston, TX
October 29th – House of Blues - Dallas, TX
October 31st - Van Buren – Phoenix, AZ
November 1st – The Wiltern - Los Angeles, CA

For the latest on Ro James, please visit:

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