

# NEW KIDS ON

Musically they're all on the up and up. You better ask somebody...



## Latenta Project (electronica)

Hailing all the way from Macedonia, which used to be infamous as the gun running capital of Europe, come the tri-talents of the Latenta Project. Play won't be crossing their paths anytime soon, however if MrMr rates them, then they're probably extremely friendly fellas. Lets find out what makes them tick.

### What does your name, Latenta Project mean?

Latent can mean "hidden", "presently inactive" or "potentially existing but not yet realized".

### How long have you been performing?

We've been playing together the past two years but separately we have more than 6-7 years of experience in Djing.

### What's your favourite tune right now?

Hard question. It's really hard to choose one but here are couple we can't get rid of: Spin Science 'Bad Magic', Spirit Catcher 'Mastermind', Partial Arts 'Telescope' and Telefon Tel Aviv 'Sounds In A Dark Room' is simply a tune that will be stuck in our players till the end of time.

### How's the scene in Macedonia?

Pretty boring, clubs usually prefer the boring trendy music like minimal or R&B, so it's been years since we got out and danced to the music we like in our own town, which is sad.

### Where do you see yourself 12 months from now?

In the cell next to Grooverider. Just kidding, we hope after 12 months that we will still be doing what we are doing now, our only love is music. More production, more gigs, meeting new people with the same interests, and most importantly, keeping those who love what we do very very happy.

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## Pre Roll (indie/mash-up/electro)

Hailing all the way from snowy Sweden, this young gentleman has definitely set up shop in Dubai and with alternative music on the up looks set to be on the lips of every man woman and child in the region, well maybe? Play hooked up for a quick chat to see what lights up his life.

### How long have you been performing?

First of all, I want to make it clear I've never had issues with performance - haha. If you're talking about Djing, I started playing around with decks in the late 80's, when acid house hit Sweden.

### What's your favourite tune right now?

I really like Larry Tee 'I Love U (Bart B More Secured Dub)' at the moment. And for something a bit more chilled, I can recommend Pilooski's edit of Pointer Sister's "Send Him Back".

### How would you describe your style?

The best friggin party mash-ups of electro fused house music and bumpy, funky breaks in Dubai. Think chunky basslines, dirty breaks, and a whole load of killer bootlegs and surprises from all genres thrown in just because they rock. At the moment I'm mostly playing fidget house, Baltimore breaks, baile funk, booty bass/ghetto tech, throwing in some indie-remixes, crunk/electro blends, breakcore, and old skool jungle for good measure.

### Which venues are supporting the genre?

No venues in Dubai have picked up on this yet; at least there are no regular nights. I keep my fingers crossed for Dubai, and I've heard some really, really interesting rumours, that if true, might finally kick off this kind of music here big time!

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# IN THE BLOCK

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## DJ Raxon (tech house)

This kid's been tipped by a couple of our established guys for his lovely haircut (just kidding baldilocks). Tipped for a real sense of musical style and knowing how to really connect with the crowd, Play settled down for a girly chit chat with the eloquent DJ Raxon.

### How long have you been performing?

I professionally started towards the end of 2006 but I've been mixing for years.

### What's your favourite tune right now?

Smash TV, a track called "Breath Me". Can't seem to get over it at the moment.

### Which venues are supporting your style?

Most venues in Dubai really, but I honestly love playing at 360° and Submarine, the crowd is just crazy.

### What's the coolest place you've visited?

It has to be Ibiza and in particular, Space.

### How do you feel about sea cucumbers?

No comment.

### What's your favourite pre-club tippie and where would it be?

Well it used to be my apartment before my neighbour came raging in one day because of the loud music, so now we just hang out peacefully elsewhere.

### Where do you see yourself 12 months from now?

Hopefully Miami for the Winter Music Conference 2009

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Image: Raxon Roxoff, Sooz

## Dj Sooz (retro/80's/cheese)

This young lady hails all the way from the UK which already makes her cool in my book (biased? Nooooo). Playing a super selection of disco house and quoted as 'very good looking' we couldn't think of a better reason to catch up with woman of few words (every guys dream), Dj Sooz.

### How long have you been performing?

My first club gig was in December 2007.

### What's rocking right now?

"I know you I live you" by Yolanda Wynn's.

### Which venues are supporting the genre?

Chi, 360° and The Apartment lounge + club

### What's the coolest place you've visited?

The top of La Soufriere, an active volcano in the Grenadines.

### How do you feel about fez's?

They're alright but I couldn't eat a whole one.

### What's your favourite pre-club tippie and where would it be?

Vodka and Redbull in the comfort of my own home.

### Where do you see yourself 12 months from now?

I see myself continuing to play the music I love and playing in the places that I love. I want to see the nights that I play gaining a dedicated following with myself and fellow Dj's getting the recognition for continuing to play good music in Dubai.