

## Esthero New Album and Tour Info

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An artist who defies all categories as she creates her own unique musical realm, the Canadian-born vocalist and songwriter Esthero prepares to release her long-awaited Reprise Records debut album June 28th, titled "Wicked Lil" Grrrls," to be followed by a select string of North American tour dates throughout July.

Capturing her grooving blend of jazz, hip-hop, soul, funk, samba and rock, "Wicked Lil" Grrrls" boasts special guest appearances by Shakari Nite, Jemeni, Jeleestone and Cee-Lo Green.

With words and music that express the many moods of the ever-evolving artist, "Wicked Lil" Grrrls" spotlights fourteen stimulating tracks Esthero wrote and produced along with some of today's top musical collaborators.

As both Executive Producer and Co- Producer on the album, Esthero is joined by studio masters such as Sean Lennon, Adam 12, Camara Cambon, Spookey Ruben, James Robertson, Track and Field, and Keith Crouch.

Her story began in 1998 with the release of her groundbreaking album, "Breath From Another," which helped her claim an international cult status while introducing Esthero's individual sound with tracks such as "Country Livin" (The World I Know)," "Swallow Me" and "That Girl."

The release was followed by a string of high-profile soundtrack appearances in major motion pictures and hit TV shows including "Go," "Boiler Room," "I Still Know What You Did Last Summer," "Slam," "Down With Love," "Felicity," and "Dawson's Creek," as well as in-studio and on-stage collaborations with hip-hop and rap artists Black Eyed Peas, Mos Def, Goodie Mob, Sugar Ray, Lisa "Left Eye" Lopes, DJ Krush and many others.

Signing an exclusive, worldwide recording contract with Reprise Records, Esthero gave her devoted fan base a taste of things to come with the smash track "O.G. Bitch" and the release of "We R In Need Of A Musical ReVoLuTioN," a six-song EP, which came out January this year. "O.G. Bitch" immediately claimed the number-one spot on the Billboard Dance Chart.

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Yet for all its stunning array of sounds and styles, "Wikked Lil" Grrrls" is all about one breathtaking voice that continues to echo long after the last note fades.

Track selections are as follows: "We R In Need Of A Musical ReVoLuTion," "Blanket Me In You (Never Is So Soon)," "Everyday Is A Holiday (With You)," "Thank Heaven 4 You," "If Tha Mood," "Bad Boy Clyde," "Beautiful Lie," "Junglebook," "Wikked Lil" Grrrls," "Gone," "My Torture," "Melancholy Melody," "Fastlane" and "Dragonfly Outro."

Esthero's 2005 July tour dates are listed below with more to follow.

July 2	Chop Suey	Seattle, WA
July 3	Doug Fir Lounge	Portland, OR
July 8	Fillmore	San Francisco, CA
July 9	Avalon	Los Angeles, CA
July 11	House of Blues San Diego	San Diego, CA
July 13	Soiled Dove	Denver, CO
July 15	The Quest	Minneapolis, MN
July 16	Metro	Chicago, IL

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July 18	Duck Room	St. Louis, MO
July 19	The Loft	Atlanta, GA
July 21	Irving Plaza	New York, NY
July 24	9:30 Club	Washington, DC
July 26	The Trocadero	Philadelphia, PA
July 28	Paradise Rock Club	Boston, MA
July 30	House of Blues	Cleveland, OH
July 31	St. Andrew's Hall	Detroit, MI