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Contestant Interview

Save Your Bullets



MAS: Ladies and gentlemen, introducing Save Your Bullets. This merry band of nascent rock stars are the newest Make A Star Music Video champs, taking the November 2011 prize with the music video for "Hot Mess in a Dress". Joining us Phoenix, Arizona, let's take a peek inside the Save Your Bullets superbrain.

First off, tell us how it feels to have won. Are you happy, surprised, relieved?

Save Your Bullets: We were so stoked. We put in a lot of hard work getting out there so it is so exciting when work does finally pay off!

MAS: Is there an interesting story behind your band's name?

Save Your Bullets: It was the only that could past our harsh obstacle cores and tests. Trust me we had a list of them too.

MAS: Tell us how you got started as a band and how everyone became a part of it.

No BS!



MAS: Congrats to No BS! on their victory in the October 2011 Music Video contest! The young but old-school, authentic brass band from Virginia mixes classic New Orleans sounds with modern east coast funk. The music video for "2 The Day" was directed by Shaun Lilley, who joins us today representing the band.

First off, tell us how it feels to have won. Are you happy, surprised, relieved?

No BS!: We are all very happy to have won as No BS! has a lot of support from its community. I cannot say that I am surprised as No BS! is a band unlike any other that I have ever come across, but there was some close competition from the other videos entered.

MAS: What's the story behind the video you've entered in the Make A Star contest?

No BS!: The video for "2 the Day" is about the band playing around their hometown of Richmond, Virginia and their street performance bringing the city together into a parade of fun in the south coast funk, rock, jazz.

Hackdaddy



MAS: Congrats to Hackdaddy for winning the August 2011 Instrumental Song contest. Hackdaddy is an accomplished trumpet player from Round Lake Beach, Illinois (just outside Chicago) an area with a rich tradition of jazz and blues musicians. He mixes a samba vibe with the rock and blues sound of his song "Madre y Padre" which won him the August \$100 cash prize and this chance to be featured in an exclusive interview.

First off, tell us how it feels to have won. Are you happy, surprised, relieved?

Hackdaddy: It feels great - I rarely seem to win anything!

MAS: Tell us how you got started as a composer and how your recording career began.

Hackdaddy: I actually have been writing on and off for 30+ years, but got really serious about recording in 2007. The digital audio tools available today have enabled many independent artists like me to create tracks on a par with the major studios, and the internet has also been a big enabler for collaborating with other

Help Me Jones

Make A Star Voice

December Winners Start the New Year Right



Congrats to all the \$100 winners of the December 2011 brackets!

Music Video : Mars & Venus "Shades of White"

Mars & Venus are five best friends from Edmonton, Canada who've captured the music video title with their eclectic mix of rock, alternative and post-punk music. The "Shades of White" video showcases a tight rock band on the rise.

Female Solo Artist : Killian "This Life"

Killian is a country recording artist from Phoenix, Arizona. "This Life" shows her songwriting craft has unlimited talent and could keep her in the spotlight for a long time to come. Already with over five thousands likes on facebook, her following is strong and growing.

Male Solo Artist : Dayda Bass "Bar & Dance Floor"

Dayda Bass is one of MakeAStar's champions of the 2011. The rising star from Los Angeles blends a smooth flow with club-ready hooks into his raps. This cut from his upcoming independent album sets his his fourth title of the year.

New Stars of November



Congrats to the latest \$100 winners of our November 2011 brackets!

Music Video : Save Your Bullets "Hot Mess in a Dress"

Save Your Bullets are a young but polished alternative rock band from the valley of the sun known as Phoenix, Arizona. They survived a tough money bracket competition to win the coveted music video title and the \$100 cash prize. Expect great music to come from Save Your Bullets and enjoy their video for "Hot Mess in a Dress" today!

Female Solo Artist : Charlotte Forbes "Electricity"

Charlotte Forbes is another young talent emerging from our worldwide competitions to rise to the top this month. From Vancouver, Canada, Charlotte's winning song "Electricity" is an infectious dance-floor anthem with a great melodic hook. It sounds like a Billboard hit but she's unsigned - labels take notice.

Male Solo Artist : Jubal Vaughn "Love Live"

The specific vibrations of reggae and dancehall music are the trademarks of New

The Stars of Red October



Congrats to the latest \$100 winners of our October 2011 brackets!

November contest brackets are scheduled to start Thursday, November 3rd at noon pacific time. There's still time to enter as a contender and qualify, so enter today and get your friends and

fans to vote for you.

Music Video : No BS! "2 The Day"

No BS! is a powerful brass band that embraces the spirit of New Orleans in an original East Coast modern funk sound. First-time Make A Star winners on their first attempt, check out the fun music video for "2 The Day"

Female Solo Artist : Carrie Davis "Missing You Night"

Country singer Carrie Davis returns to the winner circle this month with an unprecedented sixth title. Check out her latest winning song "Missing You Night".

Male Solo Artist : Dayda Bass "Can't Be Tamed"

The Best of September - \$100 Winners



MAS: Help Me Jones is the newest Make A Star Music Video champion – winning the August 2011 competition with the music video for “Little Miss”. Joining us all the way from Sofia, Bulgaria, let's see what Help Me Jones has to say.

First off, tell us how it feels to have won. Are you happy, surprised, relieved?

Help Me Jones: Of course we're happy and surprised :) it was so unexpected.

MAS: Is there an interesting story behind your band's name?

Help Me Jones: It was a brainstorm evening, when the name of our band appeared.

MAS: Tell us how you got started as a band and how everyone became a part of it.

Help Me Jones: It happened accidentally when we were improvising with sound and lyrics.

Debra Whyte



MAS: Debra Whyte is Make A Star's newest Female Solo Artist champion! The August 2011 winner reached the top with her lovely ballad “More Than Just A Kiss”. One of a number of strong Canadian female artists we've seen in the past two years here, she joins us from her home in North Vancouver, British Columbia for an interview.

Tell us how it feels to have won. Are you happy, surprised, relieved?

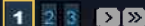
Debra: It's awesome! Thank you for the opportunity!

MAS: Tell us how you got started as a singer and how your recording career began.

Debra: Started singing in churches when I was little.

MAS: How did you develop your sound? Are you the primary songwriter, or is it collaborative?

Debra: I tried to be a solo artist but it didn't work out. I started writing songs that I



Congrats to all of our new September \$100 winners!

October contest brackets are scheduled to start Thursday, October 6th at noon pacific time. There's still time to enter as a contender and qualify, so enter today!

Music Video : Franco Paletta and the Stingers “I Can't Stand It”

Blues band Franco Paletta and the Stingers win their second music video title of 2011 with the help of Spleengene Animation video direction.

Female Solo Artist : Carrie Davis “Another Heart To Break The Fall”

Country singer Carrie Davis returns to the winner circle this month with an unprecedented fifth title. Check out her latest winning song.

Male Solo Artist : Marco Maenza “Stone House of Blues”

Italian blues guitarist Marco Maenza represents Europe as Make A Star this

Starlit August Nights



Congrats to all of our new August \$100 winners!

September contest brackets are scheduled to start Thursday, September 1st at noon pacific time. There's still time to enter as a contender and qualify, so enter today!

Music Video : Help Me Jones “Little Miss”

All the way from Sofia, Bulgaria, Help Me Jones comes to Make A Star and wins with their slick electronic pop and artistic music video for "Little Miss"

Female Solo Artist : Debra Whyte “More Than Just A Kiss”

Debra Whyte is a first time winner, as the accomplished Vancouver singer/songwriter continues the impressive run of quality female talent we've seen here from Canada.

Male Solo Artist : Dayda Bass “By Myself”

LA hip hop star Dayda Bass claims a win for the second month in a row after last month's Music Video title.

