

## RAINBOW KITTEN SURPRISE RELEASE NEW SINGLE “DROP STOP ROLL”

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### ANNOUNCE FALL 2023 HEADLINE TOUR

PRESALES LAUNCH TUESDAY, APRIL 11<sup>TH</sup> @ 10AM LOCAL TIME  
GENERAL ONSALE BEGINS FRIDAY, APRIL 14<sup>TH</sup> @ 10AM LOCAL TIME



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Today, genre-defying, Nashville-based quintet and live sensations **Rainbow Kitten Surprise** have shared a new single entitled “**Drop Stop Roll**” – [streaming on all platforms now](#) via Elektra Entertainment. The track notably marks the band’s first new music since 2022.

Evoking the collective’s creative magic once more, “**Drop Stop Roll**” - a fan favorite that the band has been playing live for the past year - glides along on a glassy clean guitar melody and steady beat on the way towards an instantly chantable chorus. It unfurls with a hypnotic harmony uplifted by psychedelic flourishes and ponderous lyrical poetry, creating a mesmerizing sonic experience.

Additionally, **Rainbow Kitten Surprise** have expanded their already stacked 2023 tour schedule. Renowned for highly energetic and unforgettable shows, they will embark on a seven-week North American headline jaunt this

fall. Support comes from **Indigo De Souza** and **flipturn** on select dates. The band is offering [VIP packages](#) including premium seating, early entry into the venue, and limited-edition band merchandise. A special fan club presale launches tomorrow April 11 at 10am local time followed by a Spotify presale April 12 at 10am local time and local presales on April 13 at 10am local time. General on-sale commences Friday April 14 at 10am local time. **Rainbow Kitten Surprise** has once more partnered with **PLUS1** so that \$1 from every ticket sold will go to local food banks working to fight hunger and food insecurity. **Rainbow Kitten Surprise** has already raised over **\$170k** for food banks in local tour markets, LGBTQ+ causes, and mental health initiatives.

Fans may enter to win a trip to see **Rainbow Kitten Surprise** perform two sold out shows at the iconic **Red Rocks Amphitheatre** in Morrison, CO ([July 5<sup>th</sup>](#) & [6<sup>th</sup>](#)). Listeners may take action and donate for entry [HERE](#). The grand prize package includes two tickets to both **Red Rocks** gigs, access to the official **Rainbow Kitten Surprise** afterparty, **Meow Wolf Convergence Station** tickets, and roundtrip air travel for the winner and 1 guest to Denver, CO provided by Southwest Airlines® as well as hotel accommodations, rideshare credit, and more. It is the ultimate **Rainbow Kitten Surprise** summer experience!

These dates will be part of ‘**Live in Colorado**,’ a four-night run set around this summer’s July 4<sup>th</sup> holiday with the two nights at **Red Rocks** and two nights at **Dillon, CO’s Dillon Amphitheater (July 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup>)**. Fellow Nashville-based outfit **The Brook & the Bluff** will support all four dates. Full ticketing information for all upcoming dates can be found [here](#).

They also just earmarked the fifth anniversary of their fan favorite 2018 LP **How to: Friend, Love, Freefall**, with the launch of their [Propeller Artist Hub](#). It notably features exclusive colorways of three albums, signed copies of **How to: Friend, Love, Freefall**, and a commemorative limited-run **How to: Friend, Love, Freefall** t-shirt available for purchase. All proceeds benefit organizations the musicians believe in and support, including official partners **ACT – Abortion Care Tennessee, REFORM, PLUS1, Nashville Launch Pad Street Free Sleep, and Music Health Alliance**. They also continue to give back to **MAPS, Sandy Hook Promise, and Bloom**.

Always a festival favorite, **Rainbow Kitten Surprise** will appear at **Bonnaroo** and **Hangout Music Festival** this summer, in addition to headlining Charleston, South Carolina’s **High Water Festival** alongside **Beck** and **Wilco** in April. Last year, the band topped lineups at Atlanta’s **Shaky Knees Festival**, Napa, CA’s **Bottle Rock Festival**, and Rothbury, MI’s **Electric Forest**.

The band has already had a remarkable year in 2023, having achieved **RIAA-platinum** certification for their standout single "**It's Called: Freefall**." This achievement was followed by the release of their highly emotional track "Work Out" in 2022, **marking their first new music in nearly two years**. The song’s beautiful melody-line and effervescent vibe stands in stark juxtaposition to its poignant lyrics about the difficult relationships – of all sorts – that people struggle with. "**Work Out**" arrived alongside a lyric video, handwritten by RKS frontperson **Ela Melo** (watch [here](#)). The stunning official visual was directed by **Joey Brodnax** and released last June (watch [here](#)).

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#### **ABOUT RAINBOW KITTEN SURPRISE:**

As if channeling another dimension where genres simply don’t exist, **Rainbow Kitten Surprise** finds harmony in unpredictability – weaving together lyrical poetry, hummable melodies, and a rush of instrumental eccentricities. Now boasting **over 1 billion global streams** across platforms, the band first began building their devoted fanbase with independent albums **SEVEN + MARY**(2013) and **RKS** (2015). The band’s breakout full-length debut for Elektra, **HOW TO: FRIEND, LOVE, FREEFALL**, arrived in April 2018. Produced by GRAMMY® Award-winner **Jay Joyce** (Cage The Elephant, Sleeper Agent), the album featured **RIAA-certified Platinum single “It’s Called: Freefall,”** earned widespread praise from **Billboard, TIME, Vice, and NPR** who described their sound as “...a mix of jam and

*indie and whatever else you can throw into the soup...very earnest, beautiful, political, loving rock n' roll,"* and saw the band make several national television appearances, including performances on "CBS Saturday Morning," "The Late Show with Stephen Colbert," and PBS's "Austin City Limits." After gracing the bills of Bonnaroo, Lollapalooza, and Osheaga, to name a few, RKS moved 80,000 tickets of their own on the sold-out 2018/2019 *Friend, Love, Freefall Tour*. That tour was earmarked by a sold-out debut at Red Rocks Amphitheatre and three consecutive gigs in Athens, GA (the latter of which were chronicled on their first official live album, *LIVE FROM ATHENS GEORGIA*, released in 2021).

The band released a two-track single *Mary (B-Sides)* in May 2019 – consisting of "Heart" and "No Vacancy." The following year brought the release of standalone single "Our Song" – already a fan favorite in their live rotation prior to release – as well as a livestream concert in July, held for thousands of fans on what would've been the date of another sold-out Red Rocks performance (cancelled due to the COVID-19 pandemic). In March 2022, the band released the emotionally charged track "[Work Out](#)," marking their first new music in nearly two years.

2022 also saw the band set out on their first full headline trek in nearly 3 years, a run that included their long-awaited, sold-out, two-night return to Red Rocks. And in 2022 alone, Rainbow Kitten Surprise raised over \$170k for food banks in local tour markets, LGBTQ+ causes, and mental health initiatives with the help of partners PLUS1 and Propeller.

The band is set to tour throughout 2023 across the US, UK/EU, and South Africa – including a four-night sold-out run in Colorado this July (marking over 25k tickets sold spanning 2 nights each at Dillon Amphitheater + Red Rocks Amphitheatre), marquee festival slots at Bonnaroo and Hangout, and a headline slot at Charleston's High Water Festival.

Rainbow Kitten Surprise is: **Ela Melo** (she/her; lead vocals), **Darrick "Bozzy" Keller** (he/him; guitar, vocals), **Ethan Goodpaster** (he/him; lead guitar, vocals), **Charlie Holt** (they/them; bass, vocals), **Jess Haney** (he/him; drums)

[TOUR ITINERARY BELOW]

RAINBOW KITTEN SURPRISE – NEW FALL 2023 TOUR DATES:

RKS	2023	FALL	TOUR		
09.17	Salt Lake City, UT	The Great Saltair	10.15	Montreal, QC	MTELUS
09.19	Boise, ID	Outlaw Field at the Idaho Botanical Garden	10.17	Boston, MA	Roadrunner
09.20	Missoula, MT	KettleHouse Amphitheater	10.18	Boston, MA	Roadrunner
09.21	Missoula, MT	KettleHouse Amphitheater	10.20	Detroit, MI	Masonic Temple Theatre
09.23	Seattle, WA	WAMU Theater	10.21	Chicago, IL	Credit Union 1 Arena
09.24	Vancouver, BC	Doug Mitchell Thunderbird Sports Centre	10.22	Indianapolis, IN	TCU Amphitheater at White River State Park
09.26	Portland, OR	McMenamins Edgefield	10.24	Washington, DC	The Anthem
09.29	Berkeley, CA	The Greek Theatre at UC Berkeley	10.27	Charlotte, NC	Skyla Credit Union Amphitheatre
09.30	Los Angeles, CA	Greek Theatre	10.28	Charlotte, NC	Skyla Credit Union Amphitheatre
10.10	Philadelphia, PA	The Met Philadelphia	10.31	Austin, TX	Moody Amphitheater at Waterloo Park
10.11	New York, NY	Radio City Music Hall	11.03	Houston, TX	713 Music Hall
10.13	Toronto, ON	HISTORY	11.04	Dallas, TX	The Pavillion at Toyota Music Factory
10.14	Toronto, ON	HISTORY			

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# Rainbow Kitten Surprise

## **SEPTEMBER 2023**

Sun, September 17 – Salt Lake City, UT\*  
 Tues, September 19 – Boise, ID\*  
 Wed, September 20 – Missoula, MT\*  
 Thurs, September 21 – Missoula, MT\*  
 Sat, September 23 – Seattle, WA\*  
 Sun, September 24 – Vancouver, BC\*  
 Tues, September 26 – Portland, OR\*  
 Fri, September 29 – Berkeley, CA\*  
 Sat, September 30 – Los Angeles, CA\*

## **OCTOBER 2023**

Tues, October 10 – Philadelphia, PA\*\*  
 Wed, October 11 – New York, NY\*\*  
 Fri, October 13 – Toronto, ON\*\*  
 Sat, October 14 – Toronto, ON\*\*  
 Sun, October 15 – Montreal, QC\*\*  
 Tues, October 17 – Boston, MA\*\*  
 Wed, October 18 – Boston, MA\*\*

Fri, October 20 – Detroit, MI\*\*  
Sat, October 21 – Chicago, IL\*\*  
Sun, October 22 – Indianapolis, IN  
Tues, October 24 – Washington, DC  
Fri, October 27 – Charlotte, NC\*  
Sat, October 28 – Charlotte, NC\*  
Tues, October 31 – Austin, TX\*

### **NOVEMBER 2023**

Fri, November 3 – Houston, TX\*  
Sat, November 4 – Dallas, TX\*

### **RAINBOW KITTEN SURPRISE – PREVIOUSLY ANNOUNCED DATES:**

\* *Festival Performance*  
= *The Brook & the Bluff supporting*

### **APRIL 2023**

Sat, April 15<sup>th</sup> – Sun, April 16<sup>th</sup> – North Charleston, South Carolina – High Water Festival \*

### **MAY 2023**

Fri, May 19<sup>th</sup> – Sun, May 21<sup>st</sup> – Gulf Shores, AL – Hangout Music Festival \*

### **JUNE 2023**

Sat, June 16<sup>th</sup> – Manchester, TN – Bonnaroo Music & Arts Festival \*

### **JULY 2023**

Sun, July 2<sup>nd</sup> – Dillon, CO – ‘Live in Colorado’ @ Dillon Amphitheater =  
Mon, July 3<sup>rd</sup> – Dillon, CO – ‘Live in Colorado’ @ Dillon Amphitheater =  
Wed, July 5<sup>th</sup> – Morrison, CO – ‘Live in Colorado’ @ Red Rocks Amphitheatre =  
Thurs, July 6<sup>th</sup> – Morrison, CO – ‘Live in Colorado’ @ Red Rocks Amphitheatre =

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For more ticket information and tour updates, please visit [[www.rksband.com/tour](http://www.rksband.com/tour)].

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