

Genius Recognizes Genius: Powerhouse Producer Erykah Badu Announces 'Abi & Alan Tour' w/ Hip-Hop Producer The Alchemist

Ten-City Exclusive North American Run Begins in August; Features The Cannabinoids' Freestyle Digital-Analog Fusion Where Creativity Is the Ultimate High

DALLAS, TX, UNITED STATES, June 25, 2025 /EINPresswire.com/ -- When five-time Grammy-winning vocalist and powerhouse producer, composer, and independent record label founder [Erykah Badu](#) teams up with legendary hip-hop producer [The Alchemist](#), creative genius meets creative genius. The duo is bringing that creative alchemy on the road this August with the "[Abi & Alan Tour](#)"—a playful nod to their birth names, Erica Abi Wright and Alan Maman—hitting ten cities across North America. The highly anticipated tour will showcase music from their collaborative album of the same name, with Badu's live digital and instrumental band, The Cannabinoids, bringing the project to life in an intimate, immersive, underground-esque experience.



Abi & Alan Tour Dates

TICKET INFORMATION: Presales begin on Tuesday, June 24, at 10:00 AM ET, with a public on-sale on Friday, June 27, at 10:00 AM local time, at baduworldmarket.com.

Audiences will experience the full depth of Badu and The Alchemist's collaborative album performed live, with The Cannabinoids interpreting music that Badu wrote, composed, arranged, and produced alongside The Alchemist's signature beats. Not only is she making an offering to The Alchemist's beats with her iconic voice, but the world will finally recognize her as the seasoned producer she's always been. From playing synths and arranging horn sections to coaching and supervising the mix, Erykah is unveiling a deeper layer of her artistry as a skilled B-girl—showing the music world her overlooked vision as a sonic architect and revealing the master craftsman behind decades of innovation.

The live presentation transforms their recorded collaboration into a multisensory experience that bridges hip-hop production mastery with neo-soul innovation.

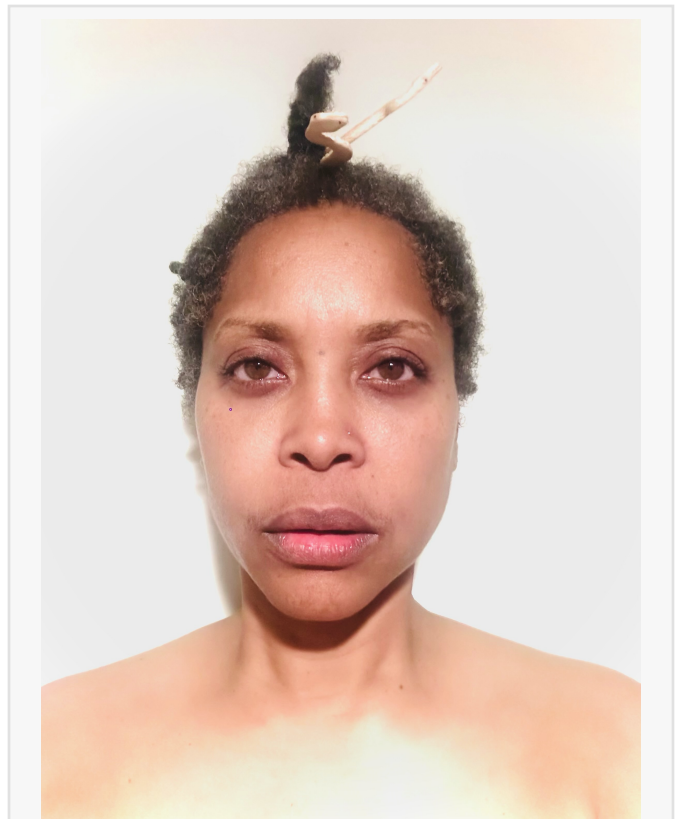
TOUR DATES:

Friday, August 8 – Showbox SoDo, Seattle, WA
Sunday, August 10 – Belly Up Aspen—Aspen, CO
Monday, August 11 – Ogden Theatre, Denver, CO
Wednesday, August 13 – Fillmore, Minneapolis, MN
Friday, August 15 – HISTORY, Toronto, ON
Sunday, August 17 – Fillmore, Silver Spring, MD
Tuesday, August 19 – Fillmore, Miami Beach, FL
Wednesday, August 20 – House of Blues, Orlando, FL
Thursday, August 21 – Fillmore, Charlotte, NC
Sunday, August 24 – ACL Live, Austin, TX

ABOUT ABI & ALAN: "Abi & Alan"—a playful nod to Erykah Badu's birth name, Erica Abi Wright, and The Alchemist's given name, Alan Maman—brings together two of music's most creative forces in an unexpected collaboration. Executive produced by Badu on her Control Freak Records label—established in 2005—the project reveals new sides of both artists. While The Alchemist has spent decades crafting atmospheric beats for everyone from Nas and Eminem to Mobb Deep and Earl Sweatshirt, earning Grammy nominations along the way, this album showcases Badu stepping fully into her role as sonic architect—writing, composing, arranging, and producing alongside his signature soundscapes. It's a meeting of minds that highlights how two seasoned artists can still surprise each other and their audiences.

ABOUT ERYKAH BADU

Erykah Badu is a multifaceted creative force who transcends music, film, and fashion. Renowned for her songwriting, singing, and producing, she promotes female wellness, challenges oppressive structures, and upholds Afrocentric and Black



Erykah Abi Badu



The Alchemist, photo Credit_CJ Marshall

Feminist values. Her blend of soul, funk, hip-hop, jazz, and gospel has earned five Grammy Awards from *Baduizm* (1997) to *"3:AM"* with Rapsody (2025). Beyond music production, Badu is an innovator who established a livestream company, revolutionized home concerts, and launched *BaduWorldMarket.com*, her curated online store. In 2023, her cannabis brand *Apple Trees* collaborated with *Cookies* to introduce *"That Badu,"* while her fashion influence earned her the 2024 CFDA Fashion Icon Award. From Fashion Week to magazine covers, her music, art, and eclectic style have made her a cultural icon.

ABOUT THE CANNABINOIDS: The Cannabinoids are Erykah Badu's revolutionary digital collective that transforms live performance into sonic experimentation. This hand-selected ensemble of Dallas-based producers, DJs, and beatsmiths was born from Badu's vision to manifest live musical improvisation using studio tracking and hip-hop production tools. Inspired by her award-winning *New Amerykah, Part I* collaborations, each member embodies a specific cannabinoid receptor with corresponding brain functions that drive their musical roles.

The upcoming tour features five of the eight member-acclaimed producers: Jah Born, RC Williams, S1, A1, and Rob Free. Channeling 8 laptops, 3 turntables, 6 keyboards, 4 drum machines, and a Theremin, they create what Badu calls a live "remix" set built on pure improvisation—a psychedelic hip-hop experience where synthetic meets organic. Like actual cannabinoid receptors binding to create euphoric effects, The Cannabinoids fuse free-flowing artistry with scientific precision, generating a transcendent collective consciousness that pushes the boundaries of live electronic performance. This isn't just a band—it's Badu's sonic thesis on how creativity functions as the ultimate high.

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