



**By Ben Ruppel**

# A note

A note about these covers and lyrics:

I wrote and designed these over a period of years from the late 2010's to today, early 2024. They are all original works but incorporate pieces of photos taken from the photo library on Canva. Some of the photos were made using artificial intelligence. All the designs in this page were made with Canva. Some of the designs were used for multiple musical projects. In this page you'll find a brief note on each lyric sheet. Thank you for reading this page and supporting me as a creator and artist; I hope you enjoy it.





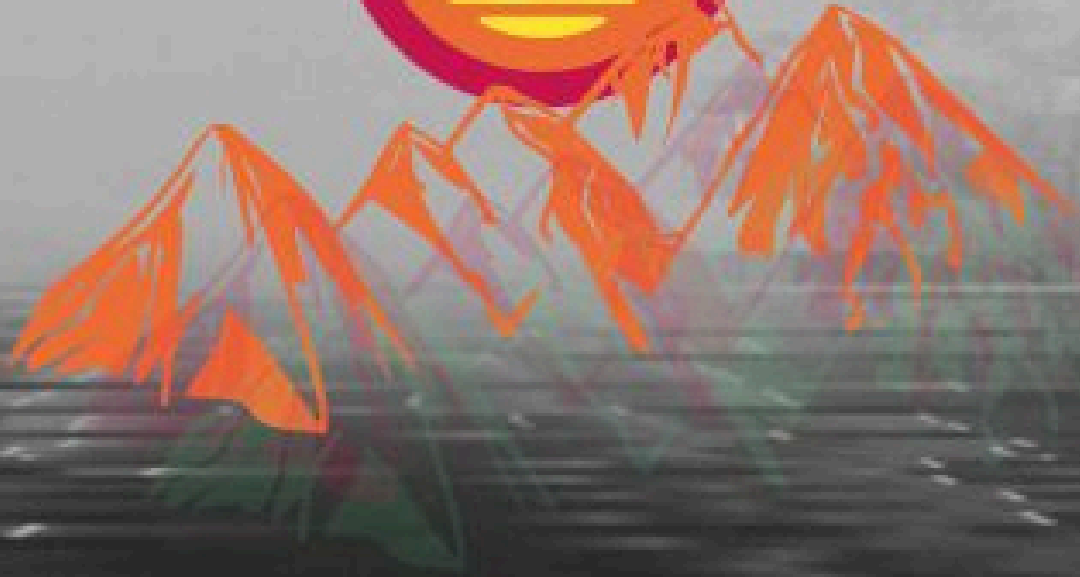
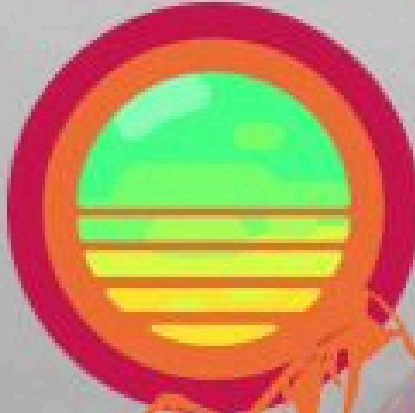
(Intro)

“Intro” was the first track off my album  
“Benjatron” available at  
[benruppel.bandcamp.com](http://benruppel.bandcamp.com) .. It was made  
using an MC 101 and a Mininova.

# Intro

Halfway around the world  
There's someone listening to what I've  
got to say  
Got to find a new way  
To write something to say  
Until I do that  
Got to stand strong  
Stay down with my plan  
Like I knew I would all along  
Anyways I'm going to keep doing me  
Hopefully just move from a to b  
And this is my story  
Found a new way to flop  
Found a new way to groove  
So I'ma take it from the top  
Make a new kind of move

**ADDICTED**





Forest was a track I recorded using a keyboard and a volca sample, as I recall. I don't remember much else, but I do remember recording the chorus part was fun, and the chorus ended up being catchy.

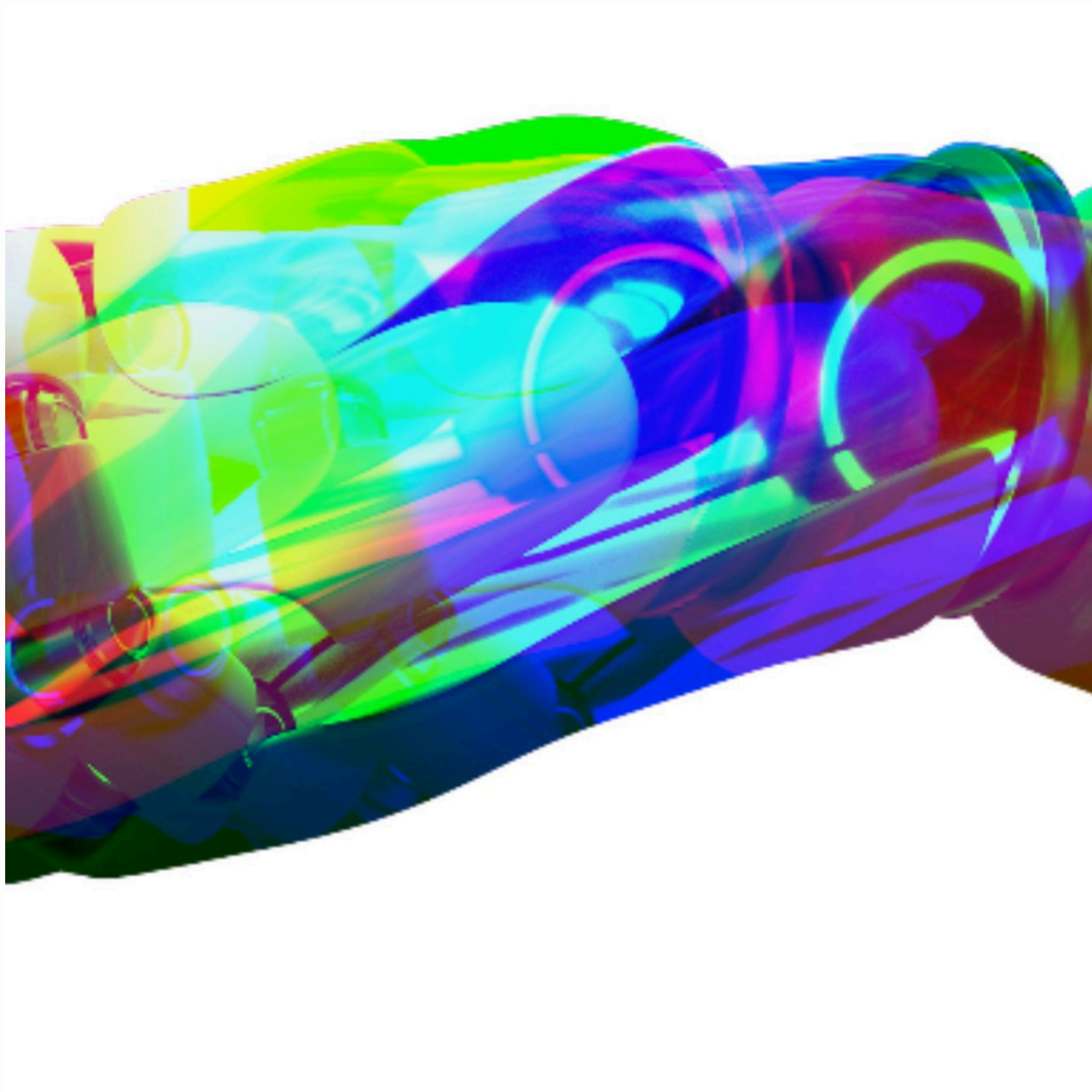
# Forest

I found a new way  
Made it to a new day  
Not trying to change  
But I finally turned the page  
Turned the page on the past  
It didn't happen very fast  
Now I'm doing me  
That you can see  
Stay hoping, stay free  
You can say that I'm blessed  
I lost you and the stress

So I stay up  
Not trying to be stuck  
Down on my luck  
Trying to live it up  
Just don't call it luck  
Not trying to give up

Now I stay living my best life  
Act a fool I just might  
But I'm going to do what I can  
To stay down with my plan  
Move on and stay humble  
Just trying not to stumble  
Now understand I'm down but not out  
On that I don't have much doubt  
But don't count me out though  
Got to stay down so

So I stay up  
Not trying to be stuck  
Down on my luck  
Trying to live it up  
Just don't call it luck  
Not trying to give up





Noah is a track off the album  
“Benjatron,” available at  
[benruppel.bandcamp.com](http://benruppel.bandcamp.com) .. The  
track was recorded with an MC-101  
and a Mininova with an effects unit on  
the Mininova. It was the only track on  
the album that incorporated that  
effects unit.

# Noah

The way the rain came down  
You would think we needed an ark  
As the sky above made sound  
The rain broke my heart  
And the ark was the rainbow  
That eventually came out so  
I guess Noah can fall back  
And wait with the rest of us  
For the rain that will one day attack  
Attack and add to the decay  
Sustain the planet and release us to  
another day  
Even if we don't make it there  
I've still got this to say

Now the whole world shook  
Looking for a sign in an old book  
To find the answers to questions they have  
Still I'm kind of glad

That I never had these questions  
That I never learned these lessons  
I watch the world move in a progression  
From good to bad, but I'm not stressin'  
I've got to count each day as a blessing  
And try to stay humble

But like Alice down the looking glass we tumble  
Hope I don't move too fast and stumble  
And with these songs I'm having fun still

All this sunshine  
As we wait for the sky to fall  
Can we make it threw to another time  
Can we find a way threw this wall

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BEN RUPPEL

Act Like You  
Love Me



Gotta Let It Go was one of two tracks I have recorded in a studio, although I recorded the beat at home and brought the beat on a thumb drive to a studio where I recorded the words. Its beat was recorded using a beatstep pro hooked up to various samplers and synths.

# Gotta Let It Go

Your love

I gotta let it go

My heart

She gotta let it go

This time

I gotta let you know

I'm down

You just gotta let it go

In this maze that is life

You left me sober on that night

The memory leaves me feeling not right

Although I can't change the past

I hope this feeling doesn't last

Still the wave was over fast

I pray the world knows who I am

I tell them all the time my name is Ben

Still I feel you've done me wrong

Stuck here I just sing my song

Thrown out in a world so cold  
I'm just trying to get my story told  
Still I can't make it hit  
At least someone's heard a little bit  
While I know I've proved my point  
I hope my words won't disappoint  
So we went our separate ways  
I know we've both seen better days  
I feel like I've been trapped in this maze  
With only one way out  
Got to see what this path is about  
There is no other way I shout  
Though I know the lay of the land  
In this way I've played my hand  
Now I must wait while the rest  
Find their way to my nest  
On this map with one way out  
I'm sure there is no doubt  
Of what course there is to take

Though there are many plans we could make  
I hope the world finds its way here  
As for myself, the end I won't ever get near

BENJATRON

LIFE IS A  
BEAUTIFUL  
DREAM



Honestly, I don't remember much about In Your Comments but it stands out in my mind as an interesting track lyric-wise because of its direct writing. The track words speak very clearly to the listener in a direct way.

# In Your Comments

Here I am

Back again

To bring you these thoughts

Of this silence I've had enough

Feeling betrayed but I'm drifting off

Out in to a world far from this stuff

The world left me in a sad state of affairs

Not really sure how that adds up

And how it compares

Still can't help that I'm down on my luck

Going from a to b like stairs

Got to find a way to make a buck

Still I'm sure I'll make it somehow

Still I wish my time were now

I wish I could win this game

Still only have myself to blame

You betrayed me

Left me lonely

Still I've got to be me  
Never phony  
Still I'm grateful you left  
It was for the best  
I don't get the lift  
I don't get high  
I don't have talent or a gift  
I don't know why  
Why I do this anyway  
I just feel like  
Finding something new to say  
If it's alright  
I've got to do things my way  
Two wrongs don't make a right  
But I've moved on with things  
Still I do my best  
Still this song I sing  
I can't change the rest  
I can't change everything  
Still I wish you the best

Ben Ruppel  
1 to the 2



1 to the 2 is one of the few tracks I've written that actually has a catchy chorus. The track stands out as a favorite of mine in that regard (that it has a catchy chorus).

# 1 to the 2

I don't know about you

But I'm a make sure I win

I'm a go from 1 to 2

You can call me a champion

They might not see how I do

But I'm still going to do me

I've got nothing left to prove

Still I do this for free

Yeah I show you how it go

I can show you how to grind

In case you don't already know

I just say what's on my mind

I've got these haters sick

Hoping I'm going to lose

But I'm a keep it slick

I'm a stay in my groove

Going from 0 to 1  
Going from 1 to the 2  
When victory is won  
Can't nobody outdo you  
Going from 0 to 1  
Going from 1 to the 2  
See how far I've come  
You already know how I do

Anyways I'ma do me  
Got to keep it one dollar  
Can you even see  
That I'm wise like a scholar  
Still doing my thing  
Steady bumping my shit  
Still this song I sing  
Trying to make it hit

If there were a way to change my style

I wouldn't do it

You see I've done this for a while

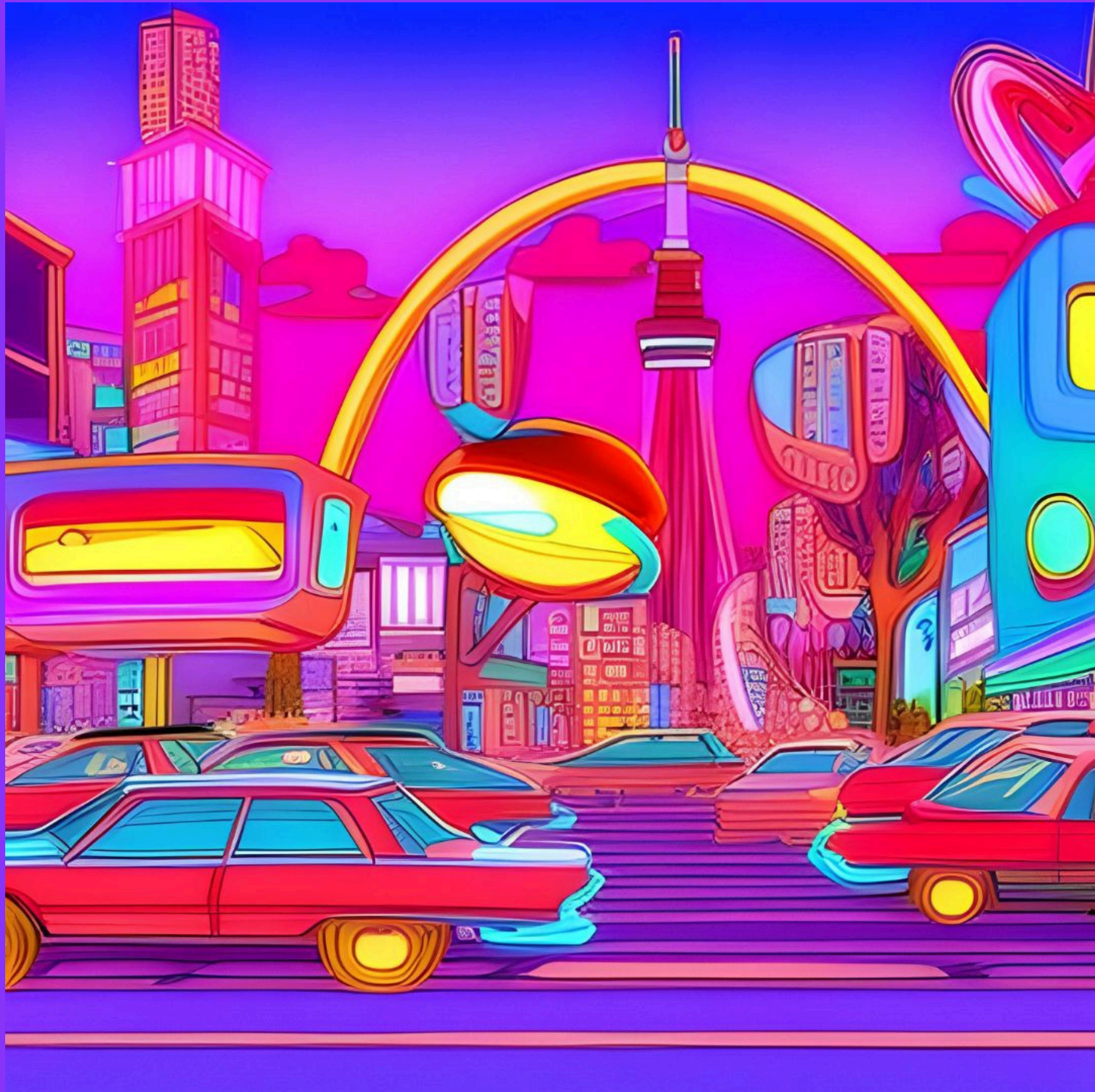
This truth I've already proved it

Now I'ma stay on my grind

Show the world what it do

Try to keep my name on they mind

Even if it's nothing to you



Drinks is another track off  
“Benjatron.” It was recorded in  
Ableton with a Mininova and a volca  
sample.

# Drinks

All out of love to give  
All out of words to rhyme with  
If there were a way to describe  
The way it feels to be alive  
The way it feels to be real  
It's the difference between the orange and  
the peel  
The citrus fruit  
On a different note  
From a different time  
I still hold the hope  
That I can make you mine  
That we can be one and the same  
Although to be true to the story  
It's not really me that's all to blame

I'm not sure why I write these songs  
I'm not sure why they sound like they do  
If I could, I'd right my wrongs  
If I could, I'd make your dreams come true

The ocean swells while waves crest and fall  
Somehow I managed to stay humble  
throughout it all

There's nothing left in the way  
Just ocean and breeze and the way things  
were

Now gone are the days when music was  
important

But I've got this in my head so I've got to  
record it

Sure it sounds dumb but it's something to me  
Although it's something you hear  
It's not something you see

Now gone are the days when music was  
listened to

But if there's a way back to it I won't go  
There's nothing left for me to say so  
Got to move on to another day

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DREAMS 2



You Left Me Low was the second track I recorded in studio. I recorded the beat at home actually though and the words in the studio. The beat was recorded using an MC-101, a volca Fm and a Mininova.

# You Left Me Low

It's a hard thing to do

To live without you

There aren't many things I'd change

Still I haven't turned the page

Life gotten a little bit strange

Hope I didn't act too deranged

If there was a way to go back in time

I wouldn't do it

Things turned out fine

Even if you didn't pursue it

Our friendship that is

I wish I had more to give

Now the world turns slow

I'm stuck waiting for you know

For a new chance at love

Can't move on because

You left me low  
You left me dry  
You left me so  
So goddamn high  
You left me  
You left me

Now the way it feels to be alive  
It's a feeling I can't describe  
Still I'll give my all and try  
Stuck here with all the reasons why  
Why I can't be next to blow up  
Still I can't deny I switched my flow up  
That's how I got my sound right  
That's how I did things my way  
Seeing you is a good sight  
Even if things aren't the same today

Though I've said a lot  
There's a lot left unsaid  
Though I'm stuck in this knot  
I hope I grow with you instead  
Forever tied into one another  
You and I stuck together as lovers



Brain is my only track currently available on Spotify and Apple Music.

It's a track I recorded using stock sounds on an MC-101 and then added my vocals to it. It was a favorite of mine when I recorded it particularly because of the instrumentation (or lack thereof, depending on how you think about things).

# Brain

I can't stop

I can't quit

Every time I flop

I can't make a hit

Even I don't like my sound

Trying to say something new

Still I'm never around

Still I can't make your dreams come true

There's not a lot to it

Like there's no way threw

If you feel differently prove it

Not saying that I will too

There's a way to the world

Like an ocean blue

I guess we're on the green part

I guess that's kind of true



Miss You is another track off  
“Benjatron.” It’s meant to be sad.

# Miss You

Still waiting on the world to show me  
something different

Than what it has done before  
Can't rid my mind of the imprint  
Of the image of you and I from before

If there's a way to go back in time

Find a way to make you mine

I wouldn't do it

Even though this doesn't rhyme

I guess I'm just not into it

I feel like I committed a crime

I feel like I did you wrong

If I wasn't stuck with you in my head

I wouldn't write about it in this song

I miss the way things were  
I miss getting high  
Though I can't change the way the world is  
Still I have to try

I can't go back in time  
Only forward I guess  
Still waiting for a sign  
To direct me out of this mess  
This mess that is my life  
Still glad I made it right  
Still glad to make nice  
Got to be polite  
Got to be honest  
Loyalty just part of life  
Loyalty is more than phonics  
There's not much else to add  
There's not much else to say  
Got to move on not stay mad  
Got to find a new kind of way

*Lost You*



How I Already Do is another track on “Benjatron.” It is one of the more upbeat tracks on the album.

# How I Already Do

From the go

Got it on the low

Learned how to flow

Learned how to stunt

I can show you how to grind

I can make it bump

But you know how I already do

Got nothing left to prove

Now I've got to improve

Find my own groove

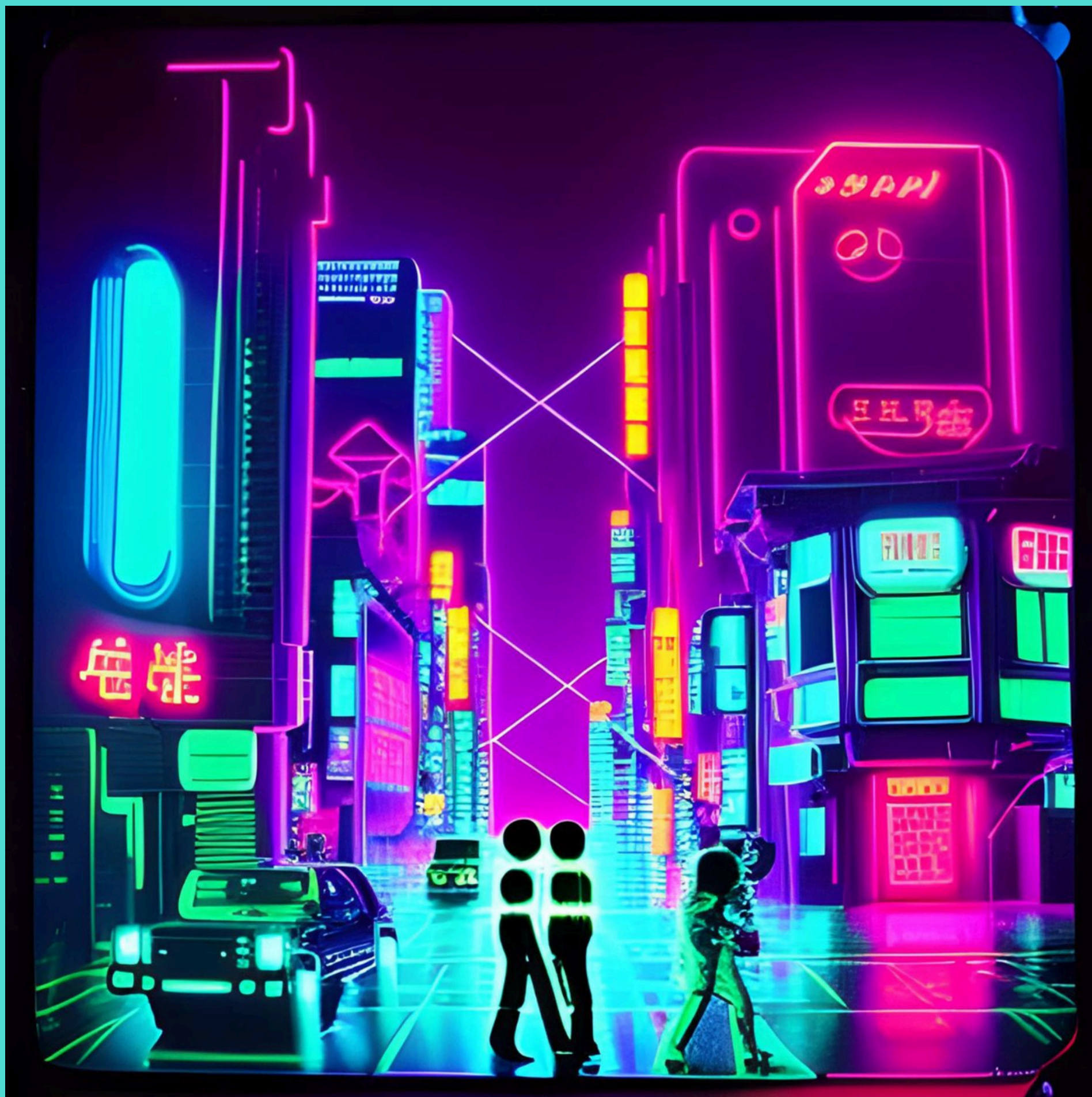
Make another move

Got nothing left to lose

So..

You know how I already do  
You know I already won  
Wrote me a song or two  
Just trying to get this one done

I've got nothing left to say  
Got to find a new way  
Make it to a new day  
This one just hits a little different  
Gotta stay down be persistent  
Can't come up short again  
Tell the world my name is Ben  
And that I'm sick with the pen  
Yeah I mean I wrote this track  
Made the beat recorded the lyrics  
Even if it comes off a little wack  
I'm a keep it 1 and keep up my spirit



**BEN RUPPEL**



***PULL YOU IN***



Flute is a track from “My Last First Album,” which was actually an EP of tracks without words. Although I published the tracks without words, I recorded the words written here before removing them from this track.

# Flute

Shadows on the wall tell me

All the things I need to know

All the shit they trying to sell me

All the shit they don't know

But I'm going to keep doing me

Stay bumping my shit

Keep grooving come complete

Show that I'm trying to make it hit

Make that shit bump

Never get stuck

But I'm down on my luck

Not going to front

Tell you that from the jump

Still trying to make it bump

Trying to eat my lunch

Still have a hunch

That this music stuff don't sit right with you

Well I don't know if that's true  
Trying to make my dreams come true

Waiting on the world to save the day

Finding a new way

Making it to another day

Still working on my shit

Still trying to make it hit

Still trying to stay with it

Trying to stay relevant

Still doing ti big like an elephant

And this shit not the least bit elegant



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REFLECTING ON SOUNDS



The Sadness was a track I wrote pre pandemic about being (you guessed it) sad. It was most likely recorded with a keyboard and volca sample, although I'm not positive about how I recorded it.

# The Sadness

Life ebbs and flows  
Money comes and goes  
But the sadness remains  
Ain't shit changed  
Still on the same page  
Only thing change is my age

There isn't anything to be said  
If life were a book I'd feel misled  
Ain't shit to be done  
Still trying to get some  
But life isn't like a movie that's  
right  
And in music people aren't polite  
Still I've got to do something  
tonight

To change and grow I might  
But if there's a way back to the way I felt  
before

I bet a movie isn't the only thing that I  
would score

But the sadness remains

As does the pain

If I can come up with another plan  
If I can move on to be a different man  
Other than the man that's stuck here

I'm not sure I would

I'll tell you I guess I'm good



