

Nothing Anonymous

Nirmit Shah (keyboardist/producer) and Ambika Nayak (vocalist) are Mumbai based musicians. They formed the electronic duo Nothing Anonymous in 2019. The duo established themselves as a genre-defying live duo that integrates electronic music with Pop, R&B, Jazz and Hip-Hop. Previously, a part of R&B/ alternative act **Kimochi Youkai**, Nayak and Shah are jazz aficionados and alumni of **The True School of Music**, Mumbai. Nothing Anonymous have immersed in years of exposure to old-school jazz, modern jazz and other contemporary genres and gain inspiration from legendary musicians like **Roy Hargrove**, **Robert Glasper**, **Jacob Collier** and **Hiatus Kaiyote**, to name a few¹. Despite various electronic elements in their music, the duo maintains jazzy chords and melodic interplay intertwined with aspects of RnB throughout their music².

Keyboardist Nirmit Shah, who is also a part of Indie duo **Ape Echoes**; in Nothing Anonymous stacks layers of synth and beats to create an envelope of ranging sounds to foil around Ambika Nayak's soaring vocals. Furthermore, Ambika and Nirmit hold the ability to perform live and DJ sets, in which they play a broad spectrum of music from Ambient to Drum and Bass³.

The duo released the five-track EP, **Here to Stay**, in 2019. They take real-life experiences and directly channel those emotions into organic songwriting and structural process of the EP⁴. Tracks in the EP include a very Future Bass inspired **Where Do I Begin**, Jazz and Funk-infused **Say Hello**, and a closing track **Find You**⁵. The pair performed their most popular song from the EP, **Pieces**, on famous YouTube comedian **Abish Matthew**'s talk show, **Son of Abish**, gaining over half a million views.

Within the first year of their inception, Nothing Anonymous has performed in clubs across India and festivals like **Nh7 Weekender Pune**, **Echoes of Earth**, **Sula Fest**, to name a few. At **VH1 SuperSonic** (2020), they also opened for International Electronic act, **Bonobo**⁶.

Social Media and Music Platforms:



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