**GENRE-DEFYING LIVE SENSATIONS RAINBOW KITTEN SURPRISE ADD DATES TO HIGHLY ANTICIPATED NORTH AMERICAN TOUR**

**FOLLOWS SOLD-OUT 3-NIGHT STAND AT NASHVILLE’S BROOKLYN BOWL + SOLD-OUT NYE SHOW AT THE ANTHEM IN DC**

**2-NIGHT STAND AT RED ROCKS AMPHITHEATER – SET FOR JULY 2022 – SELLS OUT IN MINUTES**

**MULTIPLE FAN-FAVORITE TRACKS EXPERIENCE VIRAL POPULARITY ON TIKTOK**

**NEW DATES KICK OFF MAY 20TH AT THE VAN BUREN IN PHOENIX, AZ**

**PRE-SALE BEGINS TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 15TH AT 10AM (LOCAL)**

**GENERAL ON-SALE BEGINS FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 18TH AT 10AM (LOCAL)**

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Genre-defying, Nashville-based quintet and live sensations **Rainbow Kitten Surprise** have unveiled additional dates for their upcoming highly anticipated North American headline tour. The newly announced shows kick off at The Van Buren in Phoenix on May 20th. **Presale begins Tuesday, February 15thth, at 10am (Pre-sale password: WORKOUT)**, with the **general on-sale starting Friday, February 18th at 10am (all times local).**

For the newly announced dates, fans can purchase **VIP packages** with exclusive perks including: early entry into the venue, RKS holographic fanny pack, limited poster and more. For more information on VIP packages, please visit <https://bit.ly/rainbowkittensurprisevip>.

For all upcoming headline shows, Rainbow Kitten Surprise has again teamed up with **PLUS1**, ensuring $1 of every ticket sold will go to local food banks working to fight hunger and food insecurity in their communities. The band – who has worked with PLUS1 since 2019 – is expected to direct **over $25,000** towards these organizations on this upcoming run alone.

The shows join previously announced tour dates set for Spring + Summer 2022 – including two **sold-out shows at The Caverns in Pelham, TN** and performances at marquee festivals **Shaky Knees** (Atlanta) and **Bottle Rock Festival** (Napa). Also previously announced is a forthcoming two-night stand at Colorado’s iconic **Red Rocks Amphitheater** – set for **July 11 + 12** – which **sold-out in a matter of minutes** when announced back in November. Full tour itinerary listed below.

This past December, the band made their triumphant return to the live stage after a nearly two-year hiatus – **selling out 3 nights at Nashville’s Brooklyn Bowl** (a run they dubbed *Crimbo Limbo* after the ambiguous time between Christmas and New Year’s). They then ended the year with a bang – **selling out The Anthem in Washington DC**.

At the same time as these live successes, two longtime fan-favorite tracks began to take off organically on TikTok. Both “**It’s Called: Freefall**” and “**Cocaine Jesus**” experienced massive upticks after user-created content on the platform went viral – resulting in over **11 million \*weekly\* streams** for the band. The songs now boast **85** and **80 million streams**, respectively.

Last year, the band released their first ever live album, ***RKS! LIVE FROM ATHENS GEORGIA*,** harnessing all the magic of a Rainbow Kitten Surprise show as they electrify sold-out audiences with signature anthems and fan favorites. Recorded live from a two-night stand at The Georgia Theatre in Athens, GA during the band’s sold-out 2019 ***Friend, Love Freefall Tour***, the **25-song collection** also arrived as a limited-edition 3-LP vinyl.

The 2019 North American tour came in support of the band’s Elektra Records debut ***How To: Friend, Love, Freefall***, and spanned **50 sold-out shows highlighted by 6 venue upgrades, 3 second nights added, and over 80,000 tickets sold**. To date, the albumitself has gathered north of **230 million streams**, while the lead single **“Fever Pitch”** has eclipsed **40 million streams**, having vaulted into the Top 10 at Triple A Radio upon release.

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**RAINBOW KITTEN SURPRISE – UPCOMING LIVE DATES:**

***\*NEWLY ANNOUNCED DATES IN BOLD\****

*^ Flipturn supporting*

*# 99 Neighbors supporting*

*+ Briston Maroney supporting*

*\* The Brook & The Bluff supporting*

*> Houndmouth supporting*

**APRIL**

Thur, April 7th – Township Auditorium - Columbia, SC \*

Fri, April 8th – The Caverns - Pelham, TN \* *sold-out*

Sat, April 9th – The Caverns - Pelham, TN \* *sold-out*

Mon, April 11th - JJ's Live - Fayetteville, AR \*

Tue, April 12th - Hoyt Sherman Place - Theatre - Des Moines, IA \*

Thur, April 14th - The Admiral - Omaha, NE \*

Fri, April 15th - Riverside Theater - Milwaukee, WI \*

Sat, April 16th - PromoWest Pavilion at OVATION - Newport, KY \*

Tue, April 19th - Roxian Theatre - McKees Rocks, PA \* *sold-out*

Thur, April 21st - Harrisburg University at XL Live - Harrisburg, PA \* *sold-out*

Fri, April 22nd – The Norva - Norfolk, VA \*

Sun, April 24th - Ting Pavilion - Charlottesville, VA ^

Mon, April 25th - Knoxville Civic Auditorium - Knoxville, TN ^ *sold-out*

Tue, April 26th - Florida Theatre - Jacksonville, FL ^

Fri, Apr 29 – Shaky Knees Festival – Atlanta, GA

**MAY**

**Fri, May 20th – The Van Buren – Phoenix, AZ #**

**Sun, May 22nd – Humphrey’s – San Diego, CA #**

**Tues, May 24th – House of Blues Anaheim – Anaheim, CA #**

**Thur, May 26th – Brooklyn Bowl – Las Vegas, NV #**

**Fri, May 27th – Santa Barbara Bowl – Santa Barbara, CA #**

**Sat, May 28th – Bottle Rock Festival – Napa, CA**

**JULY**

**Fri, July 1st - The Woodlands Nature Reserve - Charleston, SC +**

**Sat, July 2nd - Riverfront Park - Live Oak Bank Pavilion - Wilmington, NC +**

**Sun, July 3rd - Rabbit Rabbit - Asheville, NC +**

**Tue, July 5th - Avondale Brewing Company - Birmingham, AL +**

**Sat, July 9th - Whitewater Amphitheatre - New Braunfels, TX +**

Mon, Jul 11 – Red Rocks Amphitheater – Morrison, CO + *sold-out*

Tue, Jul 12 – Red Rocks Amphitheater – Morrison, CO + *sold-out*

**Thur, July 14th - VENUE TBA - Salt Lake City, UT >**

**Fri, July 15th - Idaho Botanical Garden - Boise, ID >**

**Sat, July 16th - KettleHouse Amphitheater - Bonner, MT >**

**Mon, July 18th - Marymoor Amphitheater - Redmond, WA >**

**Tue, July 19th – Orpheum - Vancouver, BC >**

**Wed, July 20th - McMenamins Edgefield - Troutdale, OR >**

**AUGUST**

**Fri, August 5th – Hinterland - Saint Charles, IA**

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

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**ABOUT RAINBOW KITTEN SURPRISE:**

As if channeling another dimension where genres simply don’t exist, **Rainbow Kitten Surprise** find harmony in unpredictability, weaving together lyrical poetry, hummable melodies, and a rush of instrumental eccentricities. They quietly built an audience with *Seven + Mary* [2013] and *RKS* [2015] before serving up their 2018 full-length debut for Elektra, “**HOW TO: FRIEND, LOVE, FREEFALL**” – produced by Grammy Award-winner **Jay Joyce** (Cage The Elephant, Sleeper Agent). Igniting a two-year whirlwind, it brought the band’s total stream tally well past ***half-a-billion***, while they garnered 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.”* Meanwhile, **“Fever Pitch”** marked their first Top 10 at AAA. Not to mention, they’ve performed on “**CBS This Morning Saturday**,” “**The Late Show with Stephen Colbert**,” **PBS**’s “**Austin City Limits**,” and graced the bills of **Bonnaroo**, **Lollapalooza**, and **Osheaga**, to name a few. Moving 80,000 tickets, they embarked on the sold-out ***Friend, Love Freefall Tour*** earmarked by a packed night at Red Rocks Amphitheatre and three consecutive gigs in Athens, GA—as chronicled on their first official live album, ***Live From Athens Georgia*,** out in 2021.

Rainbow Kitten Surprise is: **Ela Melo** (lead vocals), **Darrick “Bozzy” Keller** (guitar, vocals), **Ethan Goodpaster** (lead guitar, vocals), **Charlie Holt** (bass, vocals), **Jess Haney** (drums)

**For more information, please visit:**

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