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POP LIFE.



Just a couple of weeks ago, there were tweets asking about [ITZY's](#) whereabouts. While they may have been active — shooting vlogs, birthday song covers, video podcasts, finishing up their first world tour and performing at countless music and college festivals — what fans, especially their [MIDZY](#), wanted to know was where the new music was. “Now?”

Chaeryeong shyly said on Good Day New York earlier. “We are planning our next album.”

In other words, an ITZY summer comeback is expected.

But before warmer and hot days provided by the five members approach, they casually sat in the private back room of Junior's Cheesecake in the heart of Times Square, catching up with me for a light dinner. Surrounded by plates of disco fries, wings, and a few slices of the restaurant's signature cheesecake, this highly-anticipated meet marked the last stop of their press day before going back to Seoul.

Lai Frances — [ITZY Are Coming And They're Ready To Kill Doubts](#)

IN CASE YOU MISSED IT

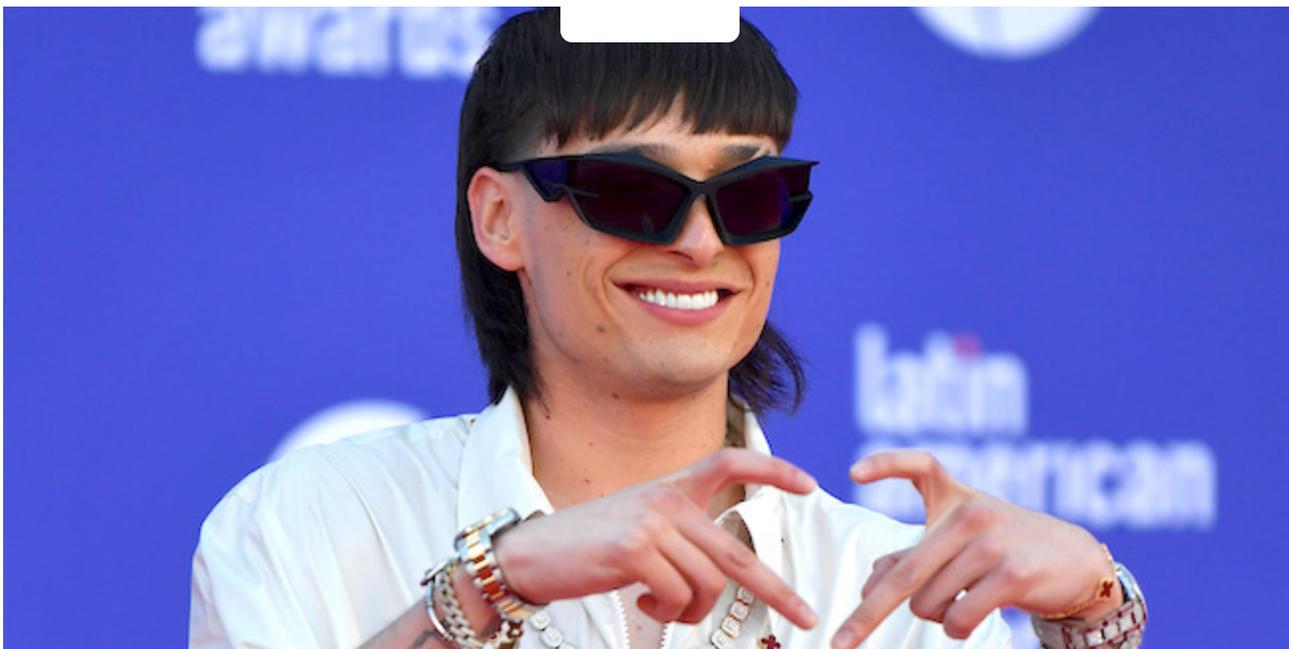
Adele spoke about people throwing things on stage — with a warning.

Holly Humberstone announced her new album.

Madonna is recovering after landing in the ICU.

Post Malone limited-edition Raising Cane's cups were stolen.

NUMBER ONE STUNNERS



PESO PLUMA

Peso Pluma's bonus edition of his recent album, *Génesis*, gave it the boost he needed to secure his first No.1 on *Billboard's* Top Latin Albums Chart — his peak on any of them. The new version has three extra tracks. His album also is now the biggest week for a regional Mexican album with 73,000 units in the US, replacing Eslabon Armado's *Desvelado*.

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BUBBLING UNDER



ORVILLE PECK

Orville Peck is relatively popular, but hadn't quite been on my radar until catching his recent NYC show. Talking with a different friend, I was recommended his song, "Queen Of The Rodeo" as a starting point that was made even more fun live, as it was tied to giving a drag queen the stage to perform. Between that, a Lady Gaga cover, and all the fans going completely out in cowboy-themed costumes, it truly was a blast — beyond a traditional country concert.

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DUA LIPA — 'FUTURE NOSTALGIA' CANDLE



Pick up this purple 8" glass jar candle featuring Dua Lipa's *Future Nostalgia* logo and original artwork.

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REMEMBER WHEN



JANET JACKSON'S NO. 1

Today in 1986, Janet Jackson reached No.1 on the *Billboard* 200 for her hit album, *Control*. The record would stay at that spot for two weeks from selling 250,000 copies in a single week. By October, it was certified 5x Platinum. It also earned the producers, Jimmy Jam and Terry Lewis, a Grammy win for Producer Of The Year. These days, it has sold completely past that number with over ten million copies.

LOVE LETTERS



OLIVIA RODRIGO

Olivia Rodrigo is back in full swing with her new lead single, "Vampire," and it simply rules. In a conversation with a friend the other day, I currently have the (possibly controversial) opinion that it's even better than "Drivers License." Twisting the knife at someone with a "castle of people you pretend to care about," Rodrigo spends the rest of the song doubling down and leaning into the rock-ish instrumentals of similar tracks like "Good 4 U."

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