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**KEVIN GATES DROPS EAGERLY AWAITED THIRD STUDIO ALBUM *KHAZA***

**FOLLOW UP TO EPIC “**[**SUPER GENERAL (FREESTLYE)**](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=TpAVV9-CnMw)**”**

**“HARD TO SLEEP” REVEALED AS FOCUS TRACK**

**BIG LYFE TOUR BEGINS AUGUST 18 IN DALLAS, TX**

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Today, RIAA multi-platinum certified rap superstar **Kevin Gates** has released his long-awaited third studio album, ***KHAZA***, via Bread Winner Alumni/Atlantic Records. The 19 track album is a follow up to the RIAA gold certified *I’M HIM* album and is available now on all DSPs [HERE](https://kevingates.lnk.to/ImHim). Alongside the new album, Gates has also revealed “**Hard to Sleep**” as the focus track for the *KHAZA*.

True to his past releases, *KHAZA,* has next to no features except for the lone Juicy J assisted track, “Thinking With My Dick.” In addition, *KHAZA* also includes the acclaimed new songs, “Intro,” “Bad For Me” and “Big Lyfe,” all available now to stream via YouTube [HERE](https://nam04.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fkevingates.lnk.to%2FBigLyfe&data=05%7C01%7CChevon.DeShields%40atlanticrecords.com%7Ca67f2c81030f452de8a108da4f1163f5%7C8367939002ec4ba1ad3d69da3fdd637e%7C0%7C0%7C637909233354787915%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C3000%7C%7C%7C&sdata=jVY4fX0wfWme9BG%2BTA5m2xp9HLDjZIPLXsQZAu74GXo%3D&reserved=0). *KHAZA* is also seeing major support from the success of the “**Super General (Freestyle)**” with over **8.5 million** views on YouTube streaming [HERE](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=TpAVV9-CnMw). Named after his son Khaza, the body of work was birthed from Kevin’s innate parental instinct to give Khaza free game he’s picked up over the years in addition to the critical importance of paying forward all the advice he’s received, and the tough lessons learned so that Khaza can be an even grander man than him. Accordingly, crafted with so much purpose in mind, this project is slated to be Gates’ most personal & poignant album yet.

***KHAZA* ALBUM TRACKLIST**

1. Intro
2. Big Lyfe
3. I’m In Love
4. PTOE
5. Steppin’
6. Bad For Me
7. Body
8. Scars
9. Mine
10. Shoot my Shot
11. One Day
12. Ups and Downs
13. Truth Be Told
14. Free At Last
15. Hard To Sleep
16. You
17. Black Clouds
18. Plug Cry
19. Thinking With My Dick (Feat. Juicy J)

As a fan-love, in support of the album, Kevin will be doing in-store CD signings at: Criminal Records (Atlanta, GA) on 6/18, Good Records (Dallas, TX) on 6/21, Cactus Music (Houston, TX) on 6/22, and Peachers Records (New Orleans, LA) on 6/23. Gates will also celebrate *KHAZA* with the epic “*Big Lyfe Tour*,” getting underway August 18 at Dallas, TX’s The Pavilion at Toyota Music Factory and then continuing into mid-October. For updates, please visit [www.kvngates.com/tour](https://nam04.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=http%3A%2F%2Fwww.kvngates.com%2Ftour&data=05%7C01%7CChevon.DeShields%40atlanticrecords.com%7Ca67f2c81030f452de8a108da4f1163f5%7C8367939002ec4ba1ad3d69da3fdd637e%7C0%7C0%7C637909233354787915%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C3000%7C%7C%7C&sdata=YaFKtogJBKLvekgUbyzIAnxnWasKK2%2F0LUAChNXSqjA%3D&reserved=0).

**KEVIN GATES *BIG LYFE TOUR 2022***

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**AUGUST**

18 – Dallas, TX – The Pavilion at Toyota Music Factory

19 – Houston, TX – 713 Music Hall

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21 – Austin, TX – Moody Amphitheater at Waterloo Park

23 – Oklahoma City, OK – Paycom Center

25 – Albuquerque, NM – Tingley Coliseum

26 – Phoenix, AZ – Arizona Federal Theatre

27 – Riverside, CA – Riverside Municipal Auditorium

29 – Sacramento, CA – Sacramento Memorial Auditorium

31 – Seattle, WA – WaMu Theater

**SEPTEMBER**

1 – Boise, ID – Revolution Concert House and Event Center

2 – Salt Lake City, UT – The Complex

6 – Omaha, NE – Baxter Arena

8 – Kansas City, MO – Azura Amphitheater

9 – Minneapolis, MN – The Armory

10 – Milwaukee, WI – The Eagles Ballroom

13 – Chicago, IL – The Riviera Theatre

14 – St. Louis, MO – Pop’s Outdoors

15 – Detroit, MI – Michigan Lottery Amphitheater at Freedom Hill

16 – Indianapolis, IN – TCU Amphitheater at White River State Park

17 – Newport, KY - PromoWest Pavilion at Ovation

20 – Cleveland, OH – Jacobs Pavilion at Nautica

25 – Boston, MA – MGM Music Hall at Fenway

27 – Washington, DC – Echostage

29 – Charleston, SC – North Charleston Coliseum & Performing Arts Center

30 – Nashville, TN – Nashville Municipal Auditorium

**OCTOBER**

1 – Atlanta, GA – Lakewood Amphitheatre

6 – Charlotte, NC – Bojangles Coliseum

7 – Birmingham, AL – Birmingham Jefferson Convention Complex

8 – New Orleans, LA – UNO Lakefront Arena

12 – Shreveport, LA – Shreveport Municipal Auditorium

13 – Little Rock, AR – Simmons Bank Arena

14 – Pensacola, FL – Pensacola Bay Center

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Kevin Gates is of course among the most impactful and inimitable rappers of the modern era, racking up more than 18B worldwide streams, 7B views, countless RIAA multi-platinum, platinum, and gold certifications, and a social media reach exceeding 30M followers around the globe. For 15 years, the Baton Rouge, LA-based icon’s artistry has drawn critical acclaim and unprecedented popular success, resulting in four top 5 entries on the *Billboard 200* – including 2016’s 2x RIAA platinum certified classic, *ISLAH*, 2017’s *BY ANY MEANS 2*, 2018’s *LUCA BRASI 3*, and 2019’s *I’M HIM* – as well as seven debuts among the top 5 on both the “Top Rap Albums” and “Top R&B/Hip-Hop Albums” charts. An electrifying live performer, Gates has lit up countless stages around the world, spanning headline tours, show-stopping festival sets, and arena tours alongside such fellow superstars as Cardi B. Indeed, Gates has been an in-demand collaborator, with featured appearances on hit tracks from Gucci Mane, YoungBoy Never Broke Again, Da Baby, and Lil Durk, to name only a few. In addition, his inspirational online series, *The Kevin Gates Helpline*, is currently in its second season and streaming now via [*VICE*](https://nam04.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fvideo.vice.com%2Fen_us%2Fshow%2Fkevin-gates-help-line&data=05%7C01%7CChevon.DeShields%40atlanticrecords.com%7Ca67f2c81030f452de8a108da4f1163f5%7C8367939002ec4ba1ad3d69da3fdd637e%7C0%7C0%7C637909233354787915%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C3000%7C%7C%7C&sdata=yq9Ke0%2Fg5ToKM%2FVBFXeLxySKY3P4iHR67x12%2B59CG8w%3D&reserved=0). With the wind at his back, Gates is poised for the upcoming arrival of his third full-length Bread Winner Alumni/Atlantic Records LP, the hugely anticipated *KHAZA*, now as always doing things his own way, setting his own exceptional path towards greatness with every step.

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