



TENDAVILLAGE EPK

BIOGRAPHY



As far as defining a genre goes, Tendavillage floats comfortably somewhere in the realm of “Psychedelic Electro Space Funk/Soul /Jazz”. Based in Calgary AB, Canada, Tendavillage showcases a group of passionate, talented musicians ready to step outside of their creative box. Their introductory EP, praised as “Criminally slept on” and a “Future classic” by Toronto’s iLive Radio, was featured on a host of radio stations and online platforms worldwide, including a stint on the iTunes R&B chart in France.

They have since amassed an enthusiastic fan base across the globe. From the first release of their debut single “Ralph Wiggum”, a track Atwood Magazine described as “a song that exists on a plane of involuntary stank face”, the band has received rave reviews.

The driving force behind the group is singer/songwriter Kate Melvina, who pens and produces the works, alongside her main collaborator, jazz pianist Jacob Fossum. With their combined influences, from 70s funk and jazz masters to contemporary artists like nu-funk virtuosos Mononeon and KNOWER, Tendavillage contributes their own imaginative sound to the Contemporary R&B/Jazz world.

DISCOGRAPHY



THE TENDA DIMENSION (2024)

Tendavillage's third EP "A Tenda Dimension" takes us on a wild journey through life's spiritual complexities, from quiet inner reflection to meditations on the infinite. Rich in sticky grooves, texture and space funk, A Tenda Dimension is a vibrant, psychedelic experience.



A TENDA UNIVERSE (2021)

Following their internationally loved debut, Tendavillage's sophomore EP "A Tenda Universe" offers a sonic journey through Soul, Funk and Jazz space, deftly navigating the galactic inner spaces of love, loss and personal growth.



SELF TITLED DEBUT (2020)

Their debut EP, which Toronto's iLive Radio praised as "Criminally slept on" and a "Future classic". Soulful vocals, hard grooving beats a la dilla and lyrics with a sense of humour, it weaves through a mixture of genres - from groove/jazz ("Ralph Wiggum", "Fullness") to a smoother RnB/neo-soul sound ("Maybe it's you not me", "No Way No How") and then funk ("Bubble Monkey", "Adam Driver").

VIDEOS



NEWS/MEDIA

2025 YYCMA (Calgary's Music Awards) Nomination for RnB/Soul Recording of the year for "The Tenda Dimension"

<https://yycmusicawards.com/awards/2025/2025-yycma-nominees/>

2024 Calgary Herald Feature "Calgary's favourite Funk/Soul band explores the spiritual with third album":

<https://calgaryherald.com/entertainment/local-arts/calgarys-favourite-soul-funk-band-tendavillage-explores-the-spiritual-with-third-album>

2024 Glide Magazine feature for "Time Alone":

<https://glidemagazine.com/301493/listen-tendavillage-molds-glistening-neo-soul-on-jammin-time-alone/>

Debut EP named "Album of the week" by Toronto's ilive Radio:

<https://mbasic.facebook.com/iLiveRadio/photos/a.10155975344631964/10157978767581964/?type=3&source=48>

1st single "Ralph Wiggum" exclusive debut on Atwood Magazine:

<https://atwoodmagazine.com/ralph-wiggum-tendavillage-debut-song-premiere/>

2021 Calgary Herald Feature:

<https://calgaryherald.com/entertainment/local-arts/calgarys-tendavillage-covers-love-loss-and-lessons-learned-on-second-ep>

A virtual performance for Block Heater 2021: (Feb 20th 2021)

<https://calgaryherald.com/entertainment/local-arts/block-heater-calgarys-tendavillage-brings-some-breezy-summer-grooves-to-winter-fest>

Review for Block Heater 2021 :

<https://theyyscene.com/2021/02/21/review-calgary-folk-music-festivals-2021-block-heater-raises-temp-during-final-night-with-valerie-june-100-mile-house-and-others/>

2020 EP review by "Sounds so Beautiful": <https://soundssobeautiful.net/2020/09/16/tendavillage-ep-bubbly-ride/>



NOTABLE PERFORMANCES

Drom Taberna, Toronto ON August 2026

<https://www.instagram.com/p/DcwnOiXyYu1/>

Function, Toronto ON August 2026

https://www.instagram.com/p/Dcee3dSFr4l/?img_index=3

Studio Bell After Hours Holiday Edition at the King Eddy December 2024

<https://www.studiobell.ca/whats-on/event/after-hours-holiday-edition>

The Aviary, Edmonton AB October 2024

<https://www.instagram.com/p/DBKWn16yHjP/?locale=zh-hans>

Chinook Blast at Olympic Plaza February 2023

<https://www.instagram.com/p/CoLhnCZAoiF/?locale=zh-hans>

Lethbridge Jazz and Blues Festival March 2023

<https://www.instagram.com/p/CqOd0dxPT-H/>

Canadian Jazz Festival “Jazz Walk” November 2022

https://www.instagram.com/p/CkwlgM_prAv/?locale=zh-hans

RISE UP YYC Drive-in concert hosted at Telus Spark: (Sat, Sept 26th 2020):

<https://www.instagram.com/p/CFINqjVBv1h/>

Lilac Fest 2022

<https://www.instagram.com/p/CeWliWlp-xW/?locale=zh-hans>

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<https://www.instagram.com/p/CZKxVKBvYtv/?locale=zh-hans>



OTHER TENDA VILLAGE HIGHLIGHTS:

-Tendavillage currently has over **1 million streams on spotify** alone and over **10k spotify followers**.

-2023 single “Humpty Dumpty” was added to the editorial Spotify playlist **Nu-Funk**, amassing a current total of 144k streams.

-2020 single “Maybe it’s you, not me” was added to the editorial Spotify playlist **Fresh Finds: The Wave**, amassing a current total of 141k streams.

- The track “Adam Driver” peaked at #24 on the R&B iTunes chart in France, without any promotion for the song.

-**Toronto’s ilive radio** live streams listening party for “A Tenda Universe” and interviews Kate:



Some of Toronto's top musicians including Divine Brown, Wade O. Brown, Tj Whitelaw and Rich Brown cover Tendavillage for online **Low End Nation** music course:



Song: "Waiting For Your Love" by TendaVillage

Fans from all over the world!

Tokyo, Japan



London, England



Seoul, South Korea



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