



The story of NEXT:GEN

The beginning of the Next:Gen Crew dates back to 2016, when it was founded by DJ/producer Critical J and MC/promoter Jelen. Shortly thereafter, the first members joined, including Slovak producer and DJ Matzet, DJ Rocki, and MC Brejchus Pavián, along with the Upfockerz project and Slovak DJ and producer Tajfun.

At the start of Next:Gen Crew's activities, the main goal was to connect artists with the same or similar mindset and musical taste. Another aim was to bring a fresh and distinctive vibe to the then almost uniform Czech DNB scene, to support young DJs and MCs, and gradually begin organizing their own music events.

Over nearly 10 years of existence, the group has grown to include many members. Some of them have gradually become significant figures on the Czech music scene, setting trends across genres. A year after its founding, the crew expanded to include producer and DJ Magenta, who is currently considered one of the top artists on both the Czech and international DNB scene.

In 2018, the crew welcomed leaders of the Czech grime scene, namely MCs and rappers Rook from the Pardubice-based group Rook's Squad and Malej Zmrd a.k.a. Pain from the Prague-based crew DOTS, who have since been regularly performing at DNB events.

Another significant milestone in Next:Gen Crew's history came in 2019 with the establishment of the music label Next:Gen Audio, which releases tracks not only from the crew's members but also from numerous domestic and international producers.

Over the years, the crew's lineup has crystallized into its current composition, consisting of 16 active members – 10 DJs/producers and 6 MCs. Additionally, the crew has been actively organizing its own label nights at Prague's Cross Club from the very beginning, the established Addictive Beats party at Boss Bar in Poděbrady, and plans to spread its sound to other clubs across the Czech Republic.

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AKADEMY

A native of Pardubice, who is inseparably linked to the founding of the rap project Rook's Squad. He first encountered mixing around 2010. His selection combines elements of US old-school hip-hop, fresh UK garage, and, in recent years, jungle and drum & bass. For quite some time, he has also been working on his own production, focusing primarily on slower BPMs. He has been a member of Next:Gen Crew since 2021 and has since become one of the most reliable pillars of the group. Recently, he contributed production to the project *Bratři v tripu vol. 2*, where he produced most of the beats for Rook and Brejchus.



CRITICAL J

One of the founders of the crew and the label manager in one person. Over his relatively long career as a DJ, he has had the opportunity to play at, among other places, the Croatian music festival Outlook, on the British internet radio station Rough Tempo, and at numerous Czech festivals and clubs across the country. In recent years, he has focused on his own production, and his collaboration with Magenta was featured in the radio show of the legendary Noisia. His vibrant and diverse selection includes elements of nu-school jump-up, rollers, and he is not afraid to explore modern jungle sounds.



FALENTIN

A young producer from Brno who began focusing on drum & bass in 2022. He has been close to music since childhood, attending a music school and playing piano for 11 years. He has been creating music for over 5 years, initially experimenting with various EDM genres such as house and techno. Despite his relatively short experience with this style, he is continuously evolving and searching for his own unique sound.



FOREST ANIMAL

A selecta and producer from Příbram who started mixing in 2017 and has since played in clubs across the Czech Republic. His sets are dominated by a selection full of jump-up, rollers, and deep tracks. For several years, he has also been working on his own production, both through solo tracks and collaborations with various producers.



MADDOS

A native of Odry, he has long been active in music production, DJing, and graphic design. He honed his craft by studying music production in Ireland and England, successfully completing his studies. His projects skillfully blend elements from various genres, with a focus in recent years on dubstep, UKG, and drum & bass. He is also a co-founder of the Downtown collective, which is currently based in Odry. In 2023, he debuted his first singles under the Next:Gen Audio label. His versatile selection of subgenres makes him a standout DJ and producer on the scene.



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MAGENTA

A.k.a. "the f***ing king," is one of the leading producers and DJs on the Czech and currently also international scene. He joined the crew in 2017 and has since become a cornerstone member. Magenta is exclusively signed to the prominent UK label Low Down Deep but also releases tracks on other major labels such as MakeYourEra, Crucastr, and Basslayerz. He is also the founder of Studio Session, a collective that tours clubs across the country, regularly testing their structural integrity.



MATZET

A Slovak DJ and producer who is a member of the British label Down2Earth, led by UK legend Macky Gee. As one of the longest-standing members of the crew, he has had the opportunity to perform not only at major domestic festivals but also at international events such as Invaderz and Skankerz. Matzet has gained recognition through a series of EPs that showcase his unique and unmistakable sound. Currently, he is experimenting with different subgenres, which is reflected in both his latest productions and the selections in his sets.



MR BE

A Příbram-based OG, producer, DJ, and promoter, who has been active on the scene for many years. He previously ran the Bass Room brand and regularly performs at the club night Funk'd Up. His production and selection cover a wide spectrum—from UKG and bassline to drum & bass.



ROCKI

"The Hurricane from the French Riviera," a.k.a. Rocki, who is also the financial director of the crew. His way and style of mixing behind the decks is extremely energetic, filled with top-tier neurofunk and mainstream DNB, but he's not afraid to throw in a solid dose of frenchcore music as well. He lived and worked in the UK for 7 years, where he gained valuable experience and learned how to transfer his unique energy to the crowd on the dancefloor.



SUBSKO

A producer and DJ who previously performed under the alias Skolashnikov. A young DJ and producer from Městec Králové, he has been actively performing since 2016. Since then, he has gained a wealth of experience playing in clubs and at festivals across the country. His production mainly focuses on nu-school jump-up and deep, but he also produces 140 BPM tracks and even boom bap. He closely collaborates with MC Killfirst on a striking project, with several EPs and singles already to their name.



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BADDABAP



A.k.a. Ra-dex started his rap journey in freestyle contests, where he honed his first skills, and since then, he has gained extensive experience performing at parties and events. He joined the crew in 2021, becoming an integral part of nearly every event. Baddabap is also a member of the Olomouc-based group 779 00, with whom he released the successful album *Triumvirát* in 2024, produced by Komander Ground. He is currently working on several projects simultaneously.



BREJCHUS



One of the biggest names in the rap-to-DNB game, Brejchus has won the RING4MCs contest three times, which propelled him into the spotlight among Czech and Slovak ravers. His portfolio includes countless dubplates for Murte, including a 2012 collaboration with the now-legendary Gleb. For several years, he has been an inseparable part of the bearded trio *Upfuckerz* and a cornerstone of the collective *Studio Session*. Throughout his career, he has released several studio projects and has recently started working on his own production.



JELEN



Co-founder of the crew, crowdhype MC, and booking manager — these are his main roles within the team. He has been involved in MCing for over 15 years. His biggest achievements on stage include performances at the Croatian festival OUTLOOK, on the British radio station ROUGH TEMPO and a joint performance with Brejchus at the summer edition of Let It Roll in 2018. Recently, he has started releasing tracks across a wide range of genres, including UKG, dubstep, and drum & bass. In recent years, he has focused primarily on promoting events at Prague's *Cross Club*.



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KILLFIRST



A young rapper originally from the spa town of Poděbrady, where he has built a significant fanbase during his relatively short career, particularly at the local underground venue *Boss Bar*. One of his biggest achievements so far is undoubtedly winning the *RING4MCs* competition. Together with producer Subsko, he has released two EPs and several single tracks in collaboration with other producers and MCs. He is also one of the founders of the music collective *LCC* and has had the opportunity to perform at major Czech festivals, such as *Let It Roll* and *BEATS4LOVE*.



PAIN



Malej Zee, a.k.a. Malej Zmrd, is a Prague-based rapper and a member of *DOTS* and *Studio Session*. Currently ranked among the top MCs on the Czech scene, he is known for his wide range of flows and countless bars. Over the course of his career, he has released the EP *Nezajímá* with producer Kletis, the studio album *Ksicht*, a collaborative album with Magenta titled *Vibes*, and in 2023, he dropped the album *Zku*vená jízda* with the collective *Studio Session*.



ROOK



The Batman of Pardubice, a member of *Studio Session* and a co-founder of *Rook's Squad*. R-O-O-K joined the *Next:Gen Crew* in 2018, but he has been involved in rap since 2006, starting as a pure grime MC. He has an impressive list of collaborations with top Czech producers and beatmakers and has released several LPs and EPs, such as *Playground*, *Vítr v bedně*, and the recent continuation of the project *Bratři v tripu*, created in collaboration with Brejchus.

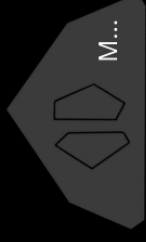
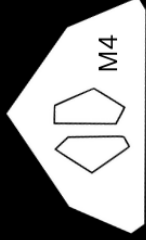
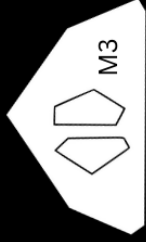


STUDIO SESSION

Studio Session is a Czech music collective consisting of MCs Pain, Rook, Brejchus Pavián, and Batrs, along with producer Magenta. Their work focuses on rap with a modern sound and energetic lyrics.

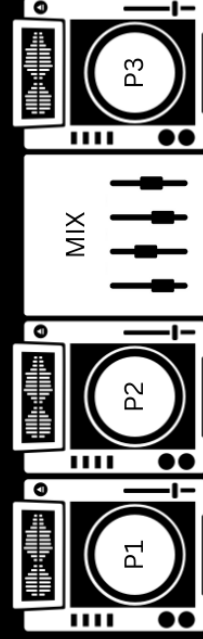
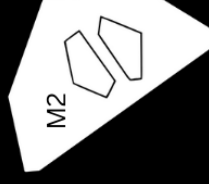
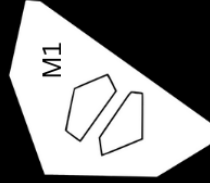
The group is renowned for their high-energy live performances and frequently delivers music packed with intense bangers. Their discography includes a variety of projects and tracks available on streaming platforms such as Spotify and YouTube.





2 x Vocal Mic (1 per MC, min. 2!)

2+ x Stage Monitors (must cover front stage)



- 3 x Pioneer CDJ 2000NXS2 or higher
- 1 x Pioneer DJM 800 or higher (**must be 4 channel**)
- 1 x Network Switch (**Players must be linked**)
- 2 x Active stage monitors (connected to DJM Booth)



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