



## ABOUT KLEZ

**KLEZ** is the new electronic soul/R&B musical project of young Bay Area-bred musician John Klezmer. John was raised playing multiple instruments and listening closely to his family’s music collection, which included the likes of Otis Redding, Marvin Gaye, Bill Withers, and Smokey Robinson. In his early teens, KLEZ took his immense love of soul music and began developing his own original sound. After time passing & introspective soul searching, KLEZ honed his skills as a lyricist, composer, and performer. He spent the summer of 2015 holed up in his home studio finding his true musical identity while vibing on his favorite soul classics.

KLEZ’s debut EP, **Here Right Now**, came out the following year - May 2016. The EP was written and recorded by John Klez with the help of writer/producer Roger Gisborne, a British transplant based in Los Angeles. KLEZ’s music lies in the nebulous middle of the soulful spectrum: it’s somewhere between **Hozier**-esque grit and **James Blake**’s folky electronically-complemented sound. The title track from the EP caught the attention of television executives and was featured in a promo for the finale of ABC primetime show *Castle* in May 2016.

After a run of summer 2016 shows in southern California at well-known venues like Los Angeles’ Hotel Cafe, the Satellite, The Mint, and Hard Rock Hotel San Diego, KLEZ returned to his final semester of study at California State University, Chico. A sold out Sofar Sounds show at Patreon’s office in San Francisco bookmarked KLEZ’s fall performances. More to come spring 2017!

## PRESS



“The noise is getting louder around soul artist KLEZ”  
– Kings of A&R



“This EP full of soul and big jams”  
– Dansende Beren



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