

YING YANG TWINS



Stanislaus County Fair 2026 Artist Announcement

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Turlock, CA – March 19, 2026 — The **Ying Yang Twins** are bringing the party to the **Modelo Variety Free Stage on Saturday, July 18, 2026, at the Stanislaus County Fair!** Get ready to turn up and hit the dance floor with the iconic duo behind some of hip-hop's biggest club anthems. *All concerts on the Modelo Variety Free Stage are a part of the Black Oak Casino & Resort Concert Series, will begin nightly at 8:30 PM, and are FREE with paid Fair admission!*

About the Ying Yang Twins:

Ying Yang Twins, comprised of members D-Roc and Kaine, debuted in 1996 with the single "Whistle While You Twurk", which was played on urban and pop radio stations and peaked at #17 on the US R&B/Hip-Hop chart. They grew even more famous when they toured with Juz tha King, Kat Nu and Demo Dil on the tour called King Me. Their full-length debut album, *Thug Walkin'*, came out later that year.

Immediately after discovering fellow Atlanta hip hop artist Lil Jon, A&R Bryan Leach began talks with representative Michael 'DJ Smurf' Crooms about signing the Ying Yang Twins to TVT Records. Protracted negotiations meant that a deal was not finalized in time for the label to release their next album, *Alley: The Return of the Ying Yang Twins*, which instead appeared in 2002 on Koch. The album was successful among hip-hop fans in the southern United States. The same year, the group appeared on the double platinum selling album *Kings of Crunk* by Lil Jon & the Eastside Boyz on the single "Get Low", and the song was a huge club and radio hit. As Crooms had negotiated only a one-album deal with Koch, the duo was free to finally submit to the advances of TVT, who had impressed them with their recent work with Lil Jon & The East Side Boyz.

Their first album for TVT, *Me & My Brother*, was certified platinum on April 12, 2005, and yielded three more hits — "Whats Happnin!", "Naggin" and the popular Lil Jon collaboration "Salt Shaker". The same year the duo appeared on Britney Spears' album *In the Zone* singing the song "I Got That (Boom Boom)" and her television special of the same name. In 2004, TVT released *My Brother & Me*, an album composed largely of remixes which featured a bonus DVD of the group's videos.

A album *U.S.A. (United State of Atlanta)* appeared in the summer of 2005 as its singles "Wait (The Whisper Song)", "Badd", and "Shake" were dominating popular music and rap radio stations, and *U.S.A. (Still United)*, a collection of outtakes, remixes, and collaborations similar to *My Brother & Me* followed in December 2005. It too was accompanied by a DVD featuring music videos and other footage from the *U.S.A. (United State of Atlanta)* period. *U.S.A. (United State of Atlanta)* was certified platinum on August 25, 2005.

The group's fifth album *Chemically Imbalanced* was released in November 2006. For this album the Twins collaborated with producers Wyclef Jean and Keith Duplessis in addition to Mr. Collipark, who produced a majority of the songs on the group's previous album. The first two singles were the Hall & Oates-sampling "Dangerous", featuring Wyclef Jean, and "Jigglin". In 2008, the Twins released the mixtape *The Official Work* and a promo single titled "Drop". In 2009, the Twins released their album with Deep Records, *Ying Yang Forever*, and started a tour titled "Ying Yang Forever Tour".

Their song "Halftime (Stand Up and Get Crunk)" is now a standard in many NFL football stadiums, and is considered to be the unofficial anthem of the New Orleans Saints during their Super Bowl victory season, even though it has been a staple at Saints games since 2006. This song was performed live during the victory parade. The song has also been used in *NFL Street 2* and *Madden NFL 11* as well as the Opening Tip at home games for the NBA's San Antonio Spurs throughout the majority of the 2000s.

Today, the Ying Yang Twins continue to tour entertaining sold out audiences across the world.



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