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Les Shirley is a kick-ass all-female rock power trio from Montreal, formed in 2019 by Raphaëlle Chouinard (vocals, guitar), Lisandre Bourdages (drums), and Sarah Dion (bass). Fueled by their tight friendship and a passion for music that blends 90s grunge, 2000s punk rock, and catchy pop hooks, the band delivers a fresh yet nostalgic sound with fiery melodies and electrifying riffs. Their debut EP and first album *Forever Is Now* earned critical acclaim, with singles like "Fuck It I'm in Love" gaining significant airplay and over 600K plays across platforms. Their sophomore album, *More is More*, received an ADISQ nomination for Anglophone Album of the Year, solidifying their place as a powerhouse in the Canadian music scene.

Known for their explosive live performances, Les Shirley has played over 200 shows, sharing stages with icons like Foo Fighters, Weezer, Simple Plan, and Avril Lavigne, and touring extensively across Europe. With TV appearances, charting singles, and their music featured in popular shows, the band continues to build a growing, devoted fanbase. In 2025, Les Shirley is set to release their third album, embark on their first US tour, and return to Europe, promising to take their unapologetic rock energy to even greater heights.

Artist Bio:

Right off the bat, you may wonder what is a Shirley. A Shirley is a ride or die, a way of life. Raphaëlle Chouinard (Vocals; Guitar), Sarah Dion (Bass), and Lisandre Bourdages (Drums) had too much whisky one night and accidentally unleashed the beast within them to become Les Shirley; a kickass rock power trio.

Les Shirley is a kick-ass all-female rock power trio formed in Montreal in 2019. Raphaëlle Chouinard (vocals, guitar), Lisandre Bourdages (drums) and Sarah Dion (bass) were brought together by a strong desire to make the music they'd always wanted to hear as their life's playlist, fueled by their unique friendship. Their musical style is redefining the genre connecting the dots between 90's grunge, 2000's punk rock culture and catchy pop tunes with influences ranging from Paramore to Céline Dion. Just the right dose of nostalgia mixed with a breath of fresh air, something that definitely stands out. The girls are solid musicians with a flair for flaming hot melodies and bursting riffs.

LES SHIRLEY rapidly made their way into Montreal's music scene. In 2019, the band's self-titled debut EP won them Best New Artist and Rock EP of the Year at Quebec's GAMIQ gala. **Forever Is Now**, their debut album, was released in march 2021 and received very favorable reviews. The leading single **Fuck It I'm in Love** charted on the Active Rock top 40 charts and cumulated over 600K plays on all platforms as of now. Their sophomore album, **More is More**, came out in October of 2022 and was nominated at ADISQ gala for Anglophone Album Of The Year and the band performed for the opening number. In 2023, the band cumulates many tv appearances (Belle et Bum, Bonsoir Bonsoir, En Direct de l'Univers, etc) and was featured on The Voice

Quebec as guests on a special performance for the show's finale. LES SHIRLEY's music was also used in many tv shows that aired on platforms such as Crave.

Quickly multiplying shows and festivals (over 200 since 2019), the girls shared the stage with many big acts such as NOFX, Weezer, Sublime and were main support for bands like Foo Fighters (upon the bands request!), Simple Plan, Billy Talent, The Beaches and Avril Lavigne. They quickly embarked on many European tours across Germany, France, Denmark and Sweden. Ever since, radios all over Canada and beyond have been spinning their tunes and their crowd is only growing bigger and wilder.

In 2025, the band is set to work on a third album, their first US tour will take place in October of that year and a return to Europe is in the books for the coming release year as well.

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“Du fragst dich vielleicht, was ist eigentlich eine Shirley? Eine Shirley ist “Ride Or Die”. Eine Lebenseinstellung.”

Les Shirley sind ein arsch-tretendes Power Trio aus Montreal, Kanada. Seit ihrer Gründung in 2018 definieren die drei Kanadierinnen das Genre der Rockmusik neu und schlagen eine Brücke zwischen 90's Grunge, 2000's Punk Rock Culture und eingängiger Popmusik. Die Einflüsse reichen dabei von HAIM über Blink 182 zu Celine Dion – Genau die richtige Menge an Nostalgie mit viel frischer Luft um mit einem eigenständigen Sound herauszustechen. Ihr zweites Album “More is More” brachte sie im September '23 zurück nach Europa nach einer wahnsinnigen Festivalsaison: Les Shirley eröffneten die Bühne für Bands wie Weezer und Billy Talent in Quebec sowie Simple Plan in Cowansville. Das Highlight des Jahres 2023 war wohlhmöglich der Support für die legendären Foo Fighters in Montréal, auf Anfrage von Mr. Dave Grohl himself. Dieses Jahr ist voll mit Shows, in Canada, Europa und den USA. Es wird viel passieren! Die Girls legen gerade erst los.