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# The Smashing Pumpkins Reveal Rats in a Cage Tour

## Description

The Smashing Pumpkins will go on a big concert tour called the Rats in a Cage Tour. This tour will include “two unique sets” for each show. The band will celebrate the 30th anniversary of their famous album, *Mellon Collie and the Infinite Sadness*, along with other popular songs. Fans can find the complete list of tour dates below.

In 2024, the band released a new album called *Aghori Mhori Mei*. This was their first album since guitarist Jeff Schroeder left the group. Instead of picking a new guitarist from friends or session musicians, they invited people to apply for the role. As a result, guitarist Kiki Wong joined the band.

The tour starts on September 30, 2024, in Columbus, Ohio. The band will perform in many cities, including Boston, Baltimore, and Chicago. The last show is planned for November 14 in Huntington Beach, California. Tickets for the concerts are available for fans who want to attend the shows.

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## Vocabulary List:

1. **anniversary** //,æni'vɜ:səri// (noun): a day to remember a past event each year
2. **session** //'sɛʃən// (noun): a period of time for a specific activity
3. **released** //ri'li:tɪd// (verb): made available to the public to buy or hear
4. **apply** //ə'plai// (verb): to ask or try to be chosen for something
5. **role** //roʊl// (noun): the job or part someone has in something
6. **perform** //pə'fɔ:m// (verb): to do something in front of people

## Comprehension Questions

### Multiple Choice

1. What is the name of the concert tour the Smashing Pumpkins will go on?

Option: Rats in a Cage Tour

Option: Mellon Collie Tour

Option: Infinite Sadness Tour

Option: Big Pumpkin Tour



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2. When does the Rats in a Cage Tour start?

Option: September 30, 2024

Option: October 1, 2024

Option: November 14, 2024

Option: August 31, 2024

3. What is the title of the new album released by the Smashing Pumpkins in 2024?

Option: Rats in a Cage

Option: Aghori Mhori Mei

Option: Mellon Collie

Option: Infinite Sadness

4. Who joined the Smashing Pumpkins as the new guitarist?

Option: Jeff Schroeder

Option: Kiki Wong

Option: Billy Corgan

Option: James Iha

5. What is being celebrated during the Rats in a Cage Tour?

Option: The band's first album

Option: 30th anniversary of Mellon Collie

Option: New album release

Option: Guitarist's departure

6. Which city is the last stop on the Rats in a Cage Tour?

Option: Chicago

Option: Baltimore

Option: Huntington Beach

Option: Boston

### True-False

7. The Rats in a Cage Tour will have only one set for each show.

8. The Smashing Pumpkins released a new album in 2024 after Jeff Schroeder left the band.

9. Tickets for the concerts are not available for fans.



10. The tour will celebrate the 20th anniversary of Mellon Collie and the Infinite Sadness.
11. Kiki Wong was invited to join the band through an application process.
12. The first concert of the tour is scheduled for October 1, 2024.

### Gap-Fill

13. The Rats in a Cage Tour will include \_\_\_\_\_ unique sets for each show.
14. The band is celebrating the 30th anniversary of their album \_\_\_\_\_ Mellon Collie and the Infinite Sadness.
15. The tour starts on September 30, 2024, in \_\_\_\_\_, Ohio.
16. The last show is planned for November 14 in Huntington Beach, \_\_\_\_\_.
17. In 2024, the band released a new album called \_\_\_\_\_ Mhori Mei.
18. Guitarist \_\_\_\_\_ joined the band after an application process.

### Answer

- Multiple Choice:** 1. Rats in a Cage Tour 2. September 30, 2024 3. Aghori Mhori Mei 4. Kiki Wong 5. 30th anniversary of Mellon Collie 6. Huntington Beach
- True-False:** 7. False 8. True 9. False 10. False 11. True 12. False
- Gap-Fill:** 13. two 14. Mellon Collie 15. Columbus 16. California 17. Aghori 18. Kiki Wong

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