



# DETROIT

## MUSIC OF THE MOTOR CITY

I grew up on a farm just south of Detroit on the Canadian side about 30 minutes from the border. You could see the skyline of Detroit from where I lived and it was always a beacon for art, culture and excitement. Detroit was the closest largest city to us and the place we went to for everything—ball games (go Tigers!), shopping, food, shows and most importantly music. Detroit radio was the soundtrack of my youth—artists like Aretha, MC5, J. Dilla, Jack White, Stevie and too many others still loom large as my musical beacons. Even the bad local television commercials helped shape my sense of humour and understand what was possible and not to take yourself too seriously.

This concert is a love letter of sorts to the city that punches well above its weight when it comes to music and a city that's had more than its fair share of hardships but still keeps the party going.

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