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MOHINI DEY

Biography



BASSIST • VOCALIST • COMPOSER • PRODUCER

A boundary-defining global artist at the intersection of jazz fusion, funk, progressive music and Indian rhythmic language.

20+	1.5M+	20M+	WORLDWIDE
YEARS PROFESSIONAL	SOCIAL FOLLOWING	YOUTUBE VIEWS	TOURING PRESENCE

Artist Overview

Mohini Dey is an internationally acclaimed bassist, vocalist, composer, arranger and producer whose virtuosity, commanding stage presence and musical range have made her one of the most distinctive artists of her generation. Born and raised in Mumbai and now based in Los Angeles, she began her professional career at just nine years old. The first fifteen years of her career were built largely as a sideman, performing and touring alongside major international artists and developing a reputation as one of the most formidable bassists on the global stage. Over the last two years, that story has entered a new chapter: Mohini has been touring independently as a bandleader, presenting her own music and building her own audience across major festivals and prestigious venues worldwide.

Her music brings together contemporary jazz fusion, funk, progressive intensity and Indian rhythmic concepts, with the bass functioning not only as the foundation but as a lead melodic and expressive voice. As a bandleader, Mohini delivers a high-energy, technically fearless live show that remains deeply musical, accessible and emotionally direct.

Career Distinction

- Recognized by Forbes India as one of the country's most successful musicians under 30.
- Recipient of Bass Magazine's Future of Bass Award.
- The only female bassist included in MusicRadar's "Top 10 Bassists of the 21st Century."
- Featured on The Tonight Show Starring Jimmy Fallon and NPR Tiny Desk with WILLOW.

Major Festivals & Landmark Stages

Mohini's recent live trajectory places her firmly within the international festival conversation as an independent bandleader. In 2026, she brought her own band and original music to the Festival International de Jazz de Montréal and Newport Jazz Festival. Her independent touring momentum also includes the Sonic Pluriverse Festival: Bass Cultures at Haus der Kulturen der Welt in Berlin, along with appearances at the Hollywood Bowl / Blue Note Jazz Festival and other major international stages. These performances mark a deliberate evolution from her earlier career as a highly sought-after sideman into a headline artist with a distinct repertoire, live identity and growing global audience.

Her headline engagements include sold-out performances at Ronnie Scott's Jazz Club in London and multiple sold-out shows at the Blue Note Jazz Club in New York. These appearances demonstrate a growing international ticket-buying audience for her original music, alongside her established profile as a globally recognized instrumentalist.

Selected Festival & Venue Highlights

FLAGSHIP FESTIVALS	Newport Jazz Festival • Festival International de Jazz de Montréal • Hollywood Bowl / Blue Note Jazz Festival
INTERNATIONAL JAZZ CIRCUIT	Portland Jazz Festival • San Jose Jazz Festival • Timişoara Jazz Festival • Enter Enea Jazz Festival • Lugano Jazz Estival • Gărâna Jazz Festival
INDIA & GLOBAL PLATFORMS	International Jazz Day, Mumbai • Delhi International Jazz Festival • Goa International Jazz Festival • Chennai Global Music Festival • Kala Ghoda Arts Festival
ICONIC CLUBS	Ronnie Scott's Jazz Club, London — sold out • Blue Note Jazz Club, New York — multiple sold-out shows • Blue Note Tokyo • Blue Note Osaka • Yoshi's

Artistic Collaborations

Before establishing her current independent bandleader chapter, Mohini built an extraordinary foundation as a sideman, performing, recording and touring with internationally renowned artists including Quincy Jones, Steve Vai, Zakir Hussain, Stanley Clarke, A.R. Rahman, WILLOW, Victor Wooten, Vinnie Colaiuta, Jordan Rudess, Mike Stern, Dave Weckl, Simon Phillips, Chad Smith, Guthrie Govan, Plini, Dennis Chambers and Larnell Lewis. That depth of experience now informs a live project centered on Mohini's own compositions, musical direction and identity as a front-line artist.

Digital Reach — Current Snapshot

INSTAGRAM	YOUTUBE	FACEBOOK
970K	**277K**	**269K+**
@dey_bass	subscribers	followers

More than 1.5 million followers across major social platforms, plus 20 million+ cumulative YouTube views.

Commercial Campaigns & Brand Partnerships

Beyond her work as a recording and touring artist, Mohini has been selected for advertising campaigns and commercial collaborations with major consumer and lifestyle brands, including OnePlus, Bacardi, Jockey, Titan, Westside, Levi's, JBL, HDFC Bank and Flipkart. Her ability to connect musicianship, fashion, technology and a highly engaged international audience has made her a distinctive partner for global brands seeking an artist-led cultural presence.

Press, Brand & Industry Recognition

Featured by Billboard, BET, Vogue, Forbes India, Rolling Stone, Bass Magazine, MusicRadar, No Treble, The Hindu, Hindustan Times, The Indian Express, Times of India, Bombay Times, Mumbai Mirror, DNA, and other international outlets. Global brand relationships include Markbass, Mayones, Gruv Gear, SIT Strings, Boss, TC Electronic, Darkglass Electronics, Electro-Harmonix, Dunlop, JBL, Levi's, Bacardi and Jockey.

Original Work



MOHINI DAY (2023)

MOHINI DEY (2023, Mohini Dey Records) was released on August 18, 2023. Blending jazz fusion, progressive rock, funk, R&B and Indian classical rhythms, the nine-track album features an international lineup including Simon Phillips, Narada Michael Walden, Marco Minnemann, Guthrie Govan and Ron "Bumblefoot" Thal. Combining virtuosic bass playing, intricate arrangements and powerful grooves, the record brings together contemporary instrumental rock and Indian musical traditions, showcasing Dey's distinctive compositional approach.



THE DEY WAY (2026)

THE DEY WAY (2026, Mohini Dey Records) was released on July 20, 2026, it expands her identity as a composer, producer and bandleader. Featuring an international cast of leading musicians, including Gergo Borlai, WILLOW, Marco Cirigliano, Eric Moore, Larnell Lewis, Roni Kaspi and Dennis Chambers, it presents a contemporary, bass-forward sound designed for the festival stage. Her show scales from an intimate jazz-club presentation to a large stage while retaining elite musicianship, dynamic interplay and a distinctive India-to-America artistic identity.