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**ZHU at Pohoda 2020**

Pohoda 2020 will also feature Chinese-American singer and producer of electronic music ZHU. In early 2014 he released the song "**Faded**" which was nominated for a Grammy and was among the top 10 most sold records in several countries. His debut album **Generationwhy** even made it to the very top of the American dance chart. The artist himself started in anonymity and still keeps rather low profile. According to his loved ones, he wants to get people to focus primarily on his work this way and not on his personality. In September 2018 he released his second album **Ringos Desert** featuring collaborations with names such as Tame Impala, TOKiMONSTA and Majid Jordan, and he presented it impressively in the desert at the Burning Man festival. The best club DJ of electronic music from LA, according to LA Weekly, will make our festival-goers dance as well.

ZHU started releasing songs back in 2011. However, he succeeded after joining forces with manager Jake Udell. In 2014 he appeared on the scene with a mashup of songs by Outkast called ***Moves Like Ms Jackson***. In April, he continued with ***The Nightday*** EP, which became the most played on Australia's Triple J radio. The EP also includes the single "***Faded***" which was praised by BBC DJ Pete Tong. To date, the song has nearly 180 million streams on Spotify and ZHU has also earned a Grammy nomination in the Best Dance Recording category for it. Vice also ranked the song on the 44th place of the best EDM songs of all time. At the end of 2015, he released a collaborative EP ***Genesis Series*** (Skrillex and A-Trak worked on it, too). This EP features another big hit with 170 million Spotify plays called "Working for It", a collaboration with Skrillex and duo THEY.

In July 2016 he released his debut ***Generationwhy***. The record was premiered at the Coachella festival. His set was praised by the New York Observer, describing him as the new Daft Punk. In August 2018 he released another EP called ***Stardustexhalemarrakechdreams***. He collaborated with Trio Nero on the single “***Dreams***”. In September 2018 he released the second album ***Ringos Desert*** on which he collaborated with names such as Tame Impala, TOKiMONSTA and Majid Jordan, and he presented it impressively in the desert at the Burning Man festival. As Dancing Astronaut portal writes: “Every song is polished to absolute perfection, each sound given dedicated space to exist like modern art in an exhibit. Tucked into the songs is a cheeky dose of western sonic flavor that seasons the entire album.”

**Video:**

* **ZHU – Love That Hurts (ft. Karnaval Blues & Indiana):** [**youtu.be/4Y6SvDdugVI**](https://youtu.be/4Y6SvDdugVI)
* **ZHU – Faded:** [**youtu.be/CVvJp3d8xGQ**](https://youtu.be/CVvJp3d8xGQ)
* **ZHU - Light It Up (feat. TOKiMONSTA):** [**youtu.be/o3VULzakpmo**](https://youtu.be/o3VULzakpmo)

**About Pohoda Festival**

Pohoda, located on a military airport in Trenčin Slovakia, offers an eclectic program that ranges from classical to techno, and all the way through experimental music. Pohoda is a multidisciplinary festival, where theatre, dance, literature, and visual arts are also strongly represented. The festival has won the European Festival Award (EFA) for Take a Stand 2018, CEO Michal Kaščák won EFA Award for Excellence & Passion in 2018 and in 2017 Pohoda won the EFA for Green Operations. Pohoda Festival 2020 will take place from the 9th till 11th of July.

**3-day Tickets from 99 €** (till the end of the year, from the 1st of January for 109 €)

Tickets & more information can be found here: [www.pohodafestival.sk/en/artists](http://www.pohodafestival.sk/en/artists)

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