

# AI IN HIP HOP

## INTRODUCTION

Did you know that some of your favorite artist from Drake to playboy carti use AI in their music? From using ai help replicate vocals of artist that has passed away to creating beats if's AI. With the music industry beginning to implement the modern technology of Artificial Intelligence, consumers and artists begin to question the authenticity and integrity of the music being created if it has AI implications.

### SONGS THAT USE AI.

Songs you may have heard on the radio or social media, that contain Artificial Intelligence:

#### Timeless; Playboi Carti/The Weeknd

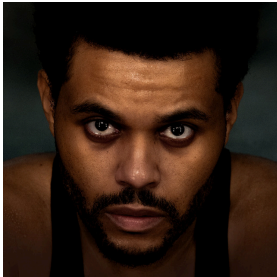
Timeless is a lead single released by The Weeknd and Playboi Carti on September 27<sup>th</sup>, 2024. This song went viral immediately capturing the eyes of many people hearing the versatility of both artists on this track. However, fans were quick to point out that Playboi Carti's verse sounded off. After further investigation, fans were able to prove that co producer Taylor Lawson used AI to clone carti's verse

<https://archive.org/details/TimelessAI>

#### SKY CITY: Kanye West, Ty Dolla \$ign

Sky City is the 15<sup>th</sup> track on Kanye and Sign's 2<sup>nd</sup> installment of VULTURES released on August 3<sup>rd</sup> 2024. Originally leaked from a 2018-2019 session called City in the Sky, this track was sought after for many years after its original leak. Fans were happy to receive this track on streaming with the debut of this album however fans were not pleased with the release of this track. Fans noticed an entire verse was deepfaked using an AI generator and it was so blatant that everyone caught on immediately.

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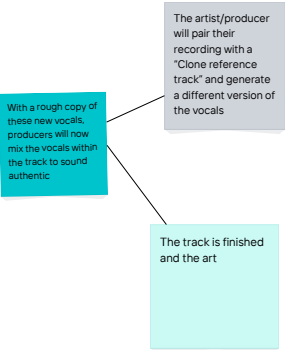


### PRODUCERS THAT USE AI

lllMIND - A Grammy winning producers who have worked with artist from Beyonce to J.cole, lllMIND has talked and is very vocal and open about his use of AI in creating. lllMIND created his sound sampling platform called "blap kits" which was founded in 2010, also within the past year he released a AI-Based music platform called Loopmagic. Loopmagic is a music AI where musician can enter any prompt they into the AI which will produce and create sounds they want into music which is able to be downloaded and use in music. "He launched Blap Kits, his own sound sample platform, back in 2010, and started the AI-based LoopMagic earlier in 2024. With LoopMagic, musicians enter prompts into the interface for what sounds they want, and those are downloadable" <https://www.billboard.com/music/rb-hip-hop/lllmind-cam-obi-ai-production-1235886057/>

cam O'bi - another grammy wining producer that has also talked about their works in AI and intrest of working and building with AI

according to a survey that was taken and done by tracklib founded that 25% of producers have been found to use AI in some degree in helping aid in the creation of their music



### ARTISTS THAT USE AI AND SONGS THAT USE AI

Some hip hop artist that Use AI in their music:

In August 2022, Capitol Records signed FN Meka, the first-ever AI rapper. Meka was a fully 3D character powered by artificial intelligence. However, the project faced heavy backlash and didn't last long. People were upset that the AI used the N-word and promoted harmful stereotypes about Black culture, which many felt was mocking and offensive. Because of the criticism, Capitol Records eventually shut the project down. [\(Vibe source\)](#)

Drake has also experimented with AI in music. AI technology can now help write lyrics and even mimic voices of famous artists. In his song "TaylorMade," Drake used AI to recreate the voices of legendary rappers Tupac and Snoop Dogg. He was criticized, especially for using Tupac's voice without permission, since Tupac passed away years ago. Later, Drake released another track using AI-generated voices, which sparked more controversy about using someone's voice without consent. This situation helped push support for the "No AI Fraud Act," a law meant to protect people from having their voices or identities faked by AI.



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### ARTIST THAT ARE FOR/AGAINST AI

Pro AI:

Grimes – She's one of the most vocal supporters. She even launched a platform where anyone can use an AI version of her voice to make music (and she'll split royalties 50/50 with them).

David Guetta – He has used AI-generated vocals in his DJ sets and said AI is going to revolutionize the future of music production.

<https://jackrighteous.com/en-us/blogs/mont-real/25-top-artists-who-embrace-ai-in-music-redefining-creativity>

#### Against Ai:

Many well-known musicians have shared their concerns about AI being used to create music. Many feel it harms the music world by taking away authenticity and emotion. They argue that music should come from the heart, and AI lacks that human touch. Some believe AI has useful purposes but not in art or music.

Beyoncé, one of the most respected artists with the most Grammy wins in history, has spoken about her views on AI. In an interview, she talks about hearing a song that used AI to mimic her voice. "Just recently, I heard an AI song that sounded so much like me it scared me. It's impossible to truly know what's real and what's not." She said while AI can be impressive, it should stay out of creative spaces like music and art.

Tyler, the Creator, known for his originality and bold music style, also spoke out against AI in music. In an interview with De La Soul, he said AI threatens the uniqueness and creativity that humans bring to music: "That's the superpower that we have that keeps things unique and moving forward. Why have a computer do that special power that us as humans have?" He added, "I think A.I. needs to do the mundane sht like figure out the robot to fix these f\*\*\*king potholes or get this damn smog... Adding snares and drawing? Like, no.\*" Tyler believes AI doesn't have the ability to create truly original and authentic music like humans do.

