

Sonder: One Night Only at The Chapel in San Francisco



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One evening I was taking an Uber back home, and the driver had music playing. The voice from the radio I heard intrigued me to the point where I shazamed the song. Since that day, I became a fan of Brent Faiyaz. As I later learned, he is part of a group named Sonder.

A sold-out show at The Chapel on Sunday night demonstrated that Sonder is not a group to sleep on.

The trio includes Brent Faiyaz, the singer, and producers Dpat and Atu, who embrace 90's R&B music that influences their style. In January, the trio released "Into," their first EP together.

Faiyaz already has an EP of his own, "A.M. Paradox," and has contributed to Godlink's hit "Crew."

The evening began with "Feel" to set the mood just right. Faiyaz showed his vulnerability as he sings about his lover wanting to be with him but picking another man. "Searchin" was up next on the setlist. The ambiance of the live set intertwined perfectly with Faiyaz's sultry voice as they began to transition to "Care." The singer's alluring presence demonstrated a love for the smooth R&B jam.

Faiyaz introduced a new song to the crowd, "One Night Only," which was first featured on Soulection Radio earlier in September. Staying true to R&B and mixing his sex appeal "One Night Only," Faiyaz doesn't feel about wanting her for one night.

"And I don't give a damn 'bout your boyfriend / He can have you when I go," Faiyaz sang with reassurance.

Faiyaz let the rest of the group take center stage to showcase their talent on the instrumental "Baldwin Park." After showcasing one of their hit songs, "Lovely," the trio gave the audience a treat by singing some of their favorite R&B influences songs. The covers started with a tribute to Brandy's "I Dedicate" and continued with a rendition of Jodeci's hit song "Feenin" and Prince's 1982, "Do Me, Baby." Faiyaz engaged with the females in the crowd as they screamed for him.

An encore began with fan-favorite "Too Fast" and ended with Faiyaz walking away abruptly after singing "You're too good at walking away" and the show ending with a slaying guitar solo.

Sonder is doing justice for the 90's kids who are still in love with the old school R&B and with a promising future, their sets will only get better in time. The fans can now look forward to Brent Faiyaz's debut album "Sonder Son," which comes out October 13th, to get them through the fall and winter.

