

The Starting Point of Missy D: 1, 2, 3 let's go, let's go! La Case Départ de Missy D: 1, 2, 3 on y va, on y va!

An Introduction for my blind and partially sighted fans

Hi, I'm Missy D and I am really excited that you would like to come to my show! I want to share some information with my blind and partially sighted friends about the show.

I am a big, tall, Black/African woman, often smiling and dancing along the stage. I am wearing a colorful jumpsuit and a matching bucket hat. I don't like to stay just on the stage, I want to meet you all and come into the audience. I walk and dance around a lot with my microphone, rapping and singing in French and English and I will teach some dance moves too.

DJ Slippee is behind me. He is a Japanese-Filipino Canadian DJ and plays music from his DJ mixer table and creates scratching sounds along with the music. He likes to wear a hoodie and a baseball cap.

Behind us there is a screen in the middle of the stage with images and sometimes the lyrics of the song are there too. Just in case you are wondering why everyone suddenly knows the lyrics.

Like in the very beginning. The lights go dark and I start singing before I am on the stage "1, 2, 3 on y va" and the lyrics come on the screen. Then I suddenly appear in a spotlight after a couple of lines of the song. Overall the lights are very colourful and fun.

I want to tell you a little bit about the images that will be on the screen for every song.

Usually I sing the songs in this order, but sometimes it changes a little, but these will for sure be the images with the songs.

Introduction. Case Depart Starts with: 1, 2, 3 on y va, on y va, All the lyrics will be on the screen, I will sing just the chorus at the beginning.

After the song a picture appears, it is me as a little kid in a green polka dot dress And I do a little warm up for myself and you get to join me too!

1. Amuse Bouche Starts with: Parlez vous français? How do you say?

At the end I ask you to sing along and what I want people to sing is on the screen. I will also tell you.

I will tell you some more about when I was 11 and my last school picture in Montreal will be up, I am dressed head to toe in jeans with a big smile.

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2. Au Delà Starts with: Si tu m'entends, au delà

Je sais que tu m'accompagnes à chaque fois...

A blue sky with clouds drifting by and some of the lyrics and expect some sing-a-long instructions from Missy D.

When I tell you a little bit more about me as a kid there is another picture of me, I think it was grade 3, dressed up as a painter with cool glasses.

3. Paint Starts with: Paint, Paint. Bring in that paint

Missy D got paint. All I do is paint...

The screen says: "Paint" and different colours of paint mixing with each other like a blast of colour

When I tell you about my travels in Africa, there will be 3 maps of regions in Africa (Côte d'Ivoire, Rwanda and Zimbabwe). The slides will then show a world map with stars connecting to each other.

4. Matin, Midi, Soir Starts with Matin, midi, soir Je suis là Appelle-moi, bébé

I'll guide you through some fun gestures and what word they go with, so you can join in the fun.

Matin point diagonally to the left

Midi point straight ahead

Soir point diagonally to the right

Je suis là point both arms down

Appelle-moi the gesture of calling someone with a phone

Bébé rock an imaginary baby in your arms.

I'll tell you about myself at 14 and there is a picture of me smiling with big round cheeks, it is actually two identical pictures because they came in a set of 4 from my school pictures. That was the year I started to learn English.

5. Too Many Feelings (Beaucoup) Starts with: I've got too many feelings, visiting my brain,

day, night and weekends.

There will be another singalong, one part of the room will sing: "Beaucoup, beaucoup, beaucoup, beaucoup, beaucoup" and the other side of the room will sing: "Il y en a trop "

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The next slide will show two pictures of Missy D, that is my performer name, one at just 1 year old and another at 21 years old, graduating from the University of British Columbia with a Bachelor of Science.

6. Petit Pas Starts with: Petit pas, petit pas, on est là, on est là!

I invite you to stand up if you can and take 3 small steps to the left, 3 small steps to the right now take 3 steps back and 3 steps forward. I ask the audience to dance and sing along with me.

7.Yes Mama Starts with: Enter the room like they know who we are.

Follow me on Earth, Venus or up to Mars

A music video plays showing beautiful mothers, aunties, daughters and friends, taking a video call to their loved ones and dancing along.

8. Rollin Starts with: Rollin, Rollin, Rollin,

I am trying to figure out who I am...

Images with dance instructions for when I sing these words:

Waves waves dance moves with your arms

Falling make a circle with your body
Hoping pretend to shoot a basketball
Up and down move your shoulders up and down.

When I talk about a defining moment that made me want to keep performing there is an image of me performing in front of 7000 people.

10. Case Depart Starts with: '1, 2, 3,' you say 'On y va, on y va!"

There is a picture of me as a baby, eager to learn how to take my first step. The PowerPoint slide fast-forwards and rewinds, from Missy D as a baby to an old lady and back.

At the end of the song I wave by to everyone. DJ Slippee stays and plays some music.

So, whether you're dancing in your seat or belting out lyrics or just enjoying the music and story, thank you for being part of this unforgettable journey with me and DJ Slippee.
Until next time, remember: the adventure never ends.

We hope to see you again soon for more rhythms and rhymes.1, 2, 3, you say 'On y va, on y va!

For further information or lyrics as well, click here: Missy D Information 2024.