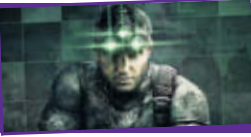




● DESTINY 2: Forsaken is about to land, and Bungie and Numskull Designs have a range of Ghost Shell keychains modelled

on the Cayde-6 Ghost, Kill Tracker Ghost and Lambda Ghost. Numskull also has an Engram Candle Set and Cayde-6 T-shirts and a cap.



● THE latest games to join the Microsoft Xbox One backward-compatibility revolution include two Splinter Cell titles —

Blacklist and Double Agent. Hopefully this development will keep fans happy until Ubisoft remember to bring out a new title.



**EXCLUSIVE**  
by COLAN LAMONT

**SINGER Georgia Cécile has big jazz plans — after releasing her first single.**

The blues vocalist was tipped as One To Watch by the BBC last year and has already started to make a name for herself in 2018.

Since putting out her track Come Summertime last month, the 29-year-old has been swamped with offers of gigs up and down the country.

She even sold out the closing night of the Edinburgh Jazz Festival a few weeks ago.

So it makes sense that she was happy to wait **TWO** years to release her first single.

Georgia, from Uddingston, Lanarkshire, says: "It was written in June 2016 and has evolved ever since then."

"I've always played it at live gigs but held off releasing it earlier because it's a summer single and I wanted it out on a day which was relatable to the context of the song."

"We had lot of really good festival gigs around that time so it's a nice point to put it out and promote it."

"It's probably been the best year I've had in terms of gigs and progress and now putting out the debut single."

Since graduating from Edinburgh Napier University with a music degree four years ago, Georgia has quickly reached the top of the Scottish jazz scene.

The songwriter was last year a Best Vocalist finalist at the Scottish Jazz Awards and was showcased at BBC Radio Scotland's Quay Sessions.

She's now working towards the release of her debut album alongside award-winning pianist Euan Stevenson.

Despite all her success, Georgia admits people are still surprised when they find out she's chosen to follow her dream of being a jazz singer.

She says: "A lot of people ask what got me into this genre but I was brought up in it."

"My grandfather was a jazz piano player by trade and all my aunts were jazz singers so it was instilled in me as a child."

"The people I've met along the way have teased it out of me — like Euan, who is primarily a jazz piano player, so when we write it has lot of those influences. I listen to

**"The best year I've had in terms of progress"**

# Georgia's in full swing & will jazz up the scene



everything, but I think a lot of current chart music is very throwaway. "It's there and it's cool for about five minutes then something takes its place, whereas with the music I write I want longevity."

Wonder (pictured) put out music that essentially was from a jazz background but it had a long-lasting effect on popular culture with the crossover appeal. I've read that

jazz is now having a total revival among young people streaming it on Spotify too, which is amazing."

With more gigs lined up throughout summer and beyond, Georgia will be up and down the country getting her music out there.

She says: "We're in the process of recording an album at the moment which will hopefully be ten or 12 tracks."

"I have some gigs in Glasgow then it's back to London for a string of gigs towards

autumn, then I'll have an album out into New Year. "I've always been a songwriter and it's taken this time to really craft and refine my songwriting itself."

"I've been able to find people and musicians that bring the best out of the songs and into a shape you want to share with the world."

"To write and share is the dream."

● Georgia Cécile is playing the Dunoon Jazz Festival on Saturday, August 18

## BELDON HAIGH AND THE MOTHER OF ALL BANDS

**WHERE:** Falkirk  
**WHO:** Beldon Haigh (vocals/guitar), Jimmy Green (guitar), Rob Webb (keyboards), Luke Stenner (bass), Andrew Scott (drums), Fiona Lynch (vocals), Emily Copas (vocals), Dru Baker (saxophone), Ewan Main (trumpet)  
**FOR FANS OF:** Pink Floyd, David Bowie, Talking Heads

**JIM SAYS:** Donald Trump, Vladimir Putin and Kim Jong-un are set to appear at the Fringe in Edinburgh this month. Nothing unusual there as world leaders often make their way into Fringe shows. Not playing in a rock band though!

Enter Falkirk's Beldon Haigh And The Mother Of All Bands. They do just that, thanks to amazing masks.

Frontman explained: "This project started two years ago when I decided to write and record an album. I would be really proud of. I built a team of brilliant musicians and collaborators."

"The singles needed powerful irreverent videos so we

## NEW MUSIC

By Jim Gellatly

came up with Trump on bass, Putin on drums, Kim on guitar.

"The videos went viral and earlier this year we were invited to play a live session for comedian Jon Holmes on his BBC Radio Kent show. We did that in the masks to check it could be done. From there we turned the project into a live act."

Inspiration came from Frankie Goes To Hollywood's 1984 Godley & Creme-directed Two Tribes video featuring Ronald Reagan and Soviet leader Konstantin Chernenko. Beldon said: "We discovered sculptor and mask making genius Landon Meier. He collaborated with us to get the first video produced."

"We shot it using green screen, half in Denver and half in Edinburgh."



Watch a video of the band at: thescottishsun.co.uk

amazingradio.com jimgellatly.com



### Danger Zone 2

Xbox One, PS4, Switch and PC £14.99

THREE Fields Entertainment is a team made up from ex-Criterion studios members so it was no shock to see Danger Zone as the crash mode from the Burnout games.

Now Danger Zone 2 has arrived and is a bigger and bolder adventure.

It's left the underground lab and fired up motorway stretches around the world and urges you to race a vehicle to a point, crash it and score as many points as possible.

It's like a puzzle game in that you have find the best path through the traffic and bag a few bonuses along the way to help your score.

There are three regions, each with their own challenges and vehicles from sports cars to trucks and even an F1 car.

It is bags of fun, but there is little more to offer than scoreboard chasing once you have nailed the platinum award. It's all over way too quickly.

The graphics look good, but it all has the feel of a tech demo and the menus are like placeholders. That whole vibe isn't helped by the Dangerous Driving game puff before the credits roll.

It would also have been fun to try different challenges in a variety of vehicles rather than being forced into the pre-set option.

But it is fun crash fare if you want a quick blast.

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● REJOICE Forza fans — Turn 10 is binning Prize Crates. Studio boss Alan Hartman released a statement saying they hope to complete the job by winter.

Hartman also revealed that paid tokens would not be included in Forza Motorsport 7

or Forza Horizon 4. The virtual currency is bought with real money and lets you buy any cars instead of building up in-game credits. We reckon there will be much cheering within the community at this new zero-tolerance approach. Well done guys.



### Earthfall

Xbox One, PS4 and PC £24.99

THE guys at Holospark are obviously big fans of Valve and Left 4 Dead because this is almost a tribute act.

They say imitation is the sincerest form of flattery, but Earthfall falls short in virtually every area. It is fun for the first run but the lack of a versus mode means it is a bit of a one-trick pony.

It is a four-player co-op shooter where you and three friends blast hordes of aliens during two different campaigns each split into five chapters.

The story is quite deep and you get to unlock bits by doing tasks, but it is all bit clumsy. You never really know what you are doing... or why.

The play is pure Left 4 Dead — you have a pistol and one other weapon from a shotgun to a sniper rifle and health packs. The 3D printers that allow you to make guns is quite neat but the options are pre-set.

The enemies are mostly drones, but "special" aliens spice things up because you have to work as a team to beat them. The two boss aliens are the most fun, if a little frustrating when one swipe can kill you.

The look and sound is decent but not exceptional and reflects the functional overall quality. And the predictability ruins the replay value.

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# LEGO FAILS TO BUILD ON SUCCESS



MIX Disney Pixar and Lego and you should have a winner on your hands.

But the truth is that Lego Incredibles does not quite live up to the magic of past titles.

Yes, there is a great mix of the original movie and this summer's blockbuster sequel.

Again, it follows the storyline without adding any new content.

You get to solve puzzles and have a bit of light combat across 12 levels, all while collecting studs with 119 characters.

It is fair to say this is a kids' game but everyone will love the Lego style. The soundtrack has a few tunes from the movies but the voice acting is a bit messy — with some audio just lifted from the films. It's fun but is that enough?

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### Lego Incredibles

Xbox One, PS4, PC and Switch £41.99

just Mrs Incredible. After that you attack the tale of the first movie, where the family comes out of retirement to stop Syndrome.

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# Fight is out of this world

**THERE are games that are epic best-sellers even before they reach the shops.**

But there are some hidden gems that can prove to be just as good without ever getting the mainstream applause.

This could just be the title that does the job for Nier.

Up until now the original Nier game — and the Drakengard series it emanated from — has had a hardcore following.

Nier: Automata arrived on PS4 last year and now Xbox fans are digging in to the action role-playing feast served up by Platinum Games — although it is interesting to note that it is still only available as a digital download.

Platinum are the team behind Bayonetta and Vanquish, so that already tells you this game has quality — and that it will be a hack-and-slash fest.

It also has a depth that requires gaming commitment if you are going to get the most out of the game.

You have to play through it at least

### NieR Automata: BECOME AS GODS Edition

Xbox One, PS4 and PC £39.99

three times if you are going to really understand the tale. The story surrounds an alien force that is looking to wipe out the human race.

The humans flee to the moon where they build an android force which will go back to Earth and rid the planet of robots sent by the aliens. You play as androids 2B9S and A2 — yeah, catchy names.

If you have come across Nier before then you will recognise that was a really brief version of the story — there is way more to it than that because there is a really convoluted mix of twists and turns that keep you on your toes. The gameplay is also a mix of styles all stitched together by Platinum's signature hack-and-slash action which is a pure joy.

But you can't get too caught up in that because it suddenly jumps into a twin-stick shooter then involves some other genres. It is a very clever way to keep things fresh because you never know what is coming next.

The really smart thing is that ALL of the genres feel right in the game

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● FORZA paint star Kerry Hayes has had plenty to cheer recently. His Spa 24 70th anniversary design in Forza Motorsport 7 was picked as the wrap for Barwell Motorsports' Lamborghini Huracan.

Then he watched as the car — and his design — romped to victory in the Am class.

Delighted Kerry said: "I was so into the race with my paint being featured that I actually stayed up and watched for about 22 of the 24 hours. It was a long night, but the excitement kept me up."

He added: "They

dominated the race in the AM class — leading well over 20 of the 24 hours. I was also very happy with the coverage of the car. With it leading most of the race, there was plenty of screen time."

## TOP 5 GAMES THIS WEEK

- 1 Crash Bandicoot N. Sane Trilogy
- 2 Lego The Incredibles
- 3 Sea Of Thieves
- 4 Minecraft: Xbox Edition
- 5 Sonic Mania Plus

● THE first new kit in the Labo series lets you build controllers to drive a car, fly a plane and dive in a submarine.

The Toy-Con 03: Vehicle Kit is the first released since the game came out on Switch.

The trailer hints at a co-op mode as one player drives and another uses the flight stick to fire weapons on a buggy. Strangely, there is no word on whether the kit will work with Mario Kart as the motorbike did when the game launched.

It's out on September 14 and expect prices between £50-60.

GET practising, race fans. Assetto Corsa Competizione — the next instalment in Kunos Simulation's highly-rated racing sim series — is getting an Early Access release on PC on September 12.



● ENGLAND won the World Cup. Well, London Spitfires came out on top of the first ever Overwatch League Championship at the Barclays Centre in New York.

The win sparked cries of "It's coming home" — but before you fear we will never hear the end of it, it's worth noting that all the Spitfires players were KOREAN — and there have only been Korean players since the team was formed. But fair play to them.

They beat Philadelphia Fusion, taking the second set 3-0, and Choi Seung-tae, Kim Ji-hyeok, Jung Won-sik, Kim Jun-ho, Hong Jae-hui, Kim Jong-seok and Park Jun-young all walked away with a cool £763,000 in prize money.