



HOLLOW JAN

Sorrowful beauty from Seoul — Korean post-rock / screamo since 2003.

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BIOGRAPHIE / BIOGRAPHY



Formed in Seoul in 2003, *Hollow Jan* are among the pioneers of Korean screamo (emotional post-hardcore). From the start they refused easy categories — fusing the lyrical sweep and slow-building atmospheres of post-rock with heavy dynamics, raw screamed catharsis, and a progressive approach to structure that set them apart in Korean rock.

Their debut full-length, *Rough Draft in Progress* (2006), won Best Rock Album at the Korean Music Awards (2008) and is remembered as one of the most intense and beautiful records in Korean indie history. *Day Off* (2014) widened their spectrum; after a long pause, the EP *Confusion* (2023) marked a fierce return and earned a Korean Music Awards nomination for Best Metal & Hardcore Album.

Two decades in, Hollow Jan remain a vital reference point for a generation of Korean heavy bands — and they give back, donating a portion of their proceeds to Save the Children each year. In August 2026 they make their French debut, including a set at *Motocultor Festival*.

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LA MUSIQUE / THE MUSIC

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Hollow Jan build their songs as single, flowing experiences rather than verse-chorus structures. Tracks connect seamlessly; dynamics carry the listener from fragile, atmospheric passages into walls of sustained feedback and climactic release. Music of emotional continuity — sorrowful, immersive, cathartic.

"We leave behind sounds, not explanations. We hope our music becomes a vibration that makes someone pause. If it has shifted the air of even a single moment, that is enough for us."

For Fans Of — [Envy](#) · [Mono](#) · [Touché Amoré](#) · [Explosions in the Sky](#) · [Mogwai](#)



LIVE — ASIAN POP FESTIVAL 2025

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LINE-UP / MEMBRES

Im Hwantaek	VOCALS	Kim Kyungchan	GUITAR
Lee Kwangjae	GUITAR	Jung Wooyong	BASS
Choi Hyunjin	DRUMS	Ahn Seonghoon	TOURING GUITAR

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DISCOGRAPHIE / DISCOGRAPHY

<i>Dreambound Tides</i> SINGLE NEW · 2026	2026
<i>An Inaudible Voice</i> SINGLE	2024
<i>Confusion</i> EP KMA NOMINEE — BEST METAL & HARDCORE	2023
<i>Scattered By The Breeze</i> SINGLE	2016
<i>Hollow Jan / Split</i> SPLIT · RUSSIA	2016
<i>Day Off</i> 2ND LP · REISSUE 2025 · DOG KNIGHTS (EU) KMA NOMINEE — BEST ROCK ALBUM & ROCK SONG	2014
<i>Back To the Grave</i> COMPILATION	2009
<i>Chaos Theory</i> COMPILATION · JAPAN	2008
<i>Rough Draft in Progress</i> 1ST LP · REISSUE 2022 · DOG KNIGHTS (EU) KMA WINNER — BEST ROCK ALBUM	2006
<i>Hyacinthus Orientalis of Purple</i> EP	2005

PARCOURS / TRACK RECORD

2003

SINCE

20+

YEARS ON STAGE

SXSW

SELECTED 2014

KMA

WINNER · BEST ROCK

FESTIVALS & CONCERTS

Emotional Damage Fest w/ Chinese Football	2026
Asian Pop Festival	2025
Sound Planet Festival	2025
Zandari Festa	2025
One Man Live (headline)	2018–2022
House of Vans w/ Pennywise	2015
Jisan Valley Rock Festival	2012
Pentaport Rock Festival	2007 · 2009
Crazy Festival (Japan · w/ Evergreen Terrace)	2008

INTERNATIONAL EXCHANGE

Nothing (USA→KR)	2026
Anxious (USA→KR)	2023
Touché Amore (USA→KR)	2014
Providence (France→KR)	2013
No Turning Back (Germany→KR)	2009
Horse the Band (USA→KR)	2008



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Selected by *SPIN* as a "Must-See" act for SXSW 2014.

— SPIN MAGAZINE · 2014

"One of the finest acts Korea has to offer."

— INDIEFUL ROK · KOREAN INDIE MEDIA

"Hollow Jan without doubt has what it takes to make a breakthrough on the international scene."

— KOME WORLD · JAPAN

"Sorrowful Beauty, Hollow Jan."

— NAVER ONSTAGE

AWARDS

Korean Music Awards — Best Rock Album WINNER	2008
Korean Music Awards — Best Metal & Hardcore Album (Nominee)	2023
Naver Onstage — Best Artist of the Year	2012
Daum Music — 100 Memorable Albums in Korean Indie History	2013





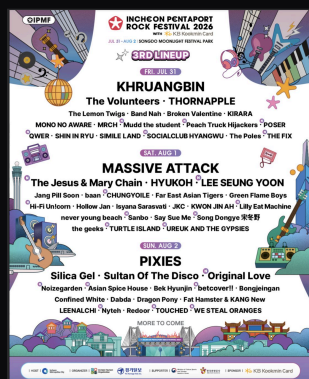
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07 TOURNÉE 2026 / TOUR

14 Aug	Fury Défendu · Rouen	✓ Confirmed
15 Aug	Motocultor Festival · Carhaix-Plouguer	★ Festival
16–17 Aug	Rennes · (TBC)	
18 Aug	Supersonic · Paris	✓ Confirmed

Revived by *Confusion* (2023) and reissued in Europe on Dog Knights, the Korean screamo pioneers make their French debut — on the Motocultor 2026 bill.

ALSO IN 2026 · KOREA



PENTAPORT ROCK FESTIVAL

1 Aug 2026 · Incheon, Korea

Korea's largest and longest-running rock festival (since 2006, Incheon). Hollow Jan make their return in 2026 after two appearances in the 2000s — headlined by Massive Attack and Pixies.

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HOLLOW JAN

MANAGEMENT



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