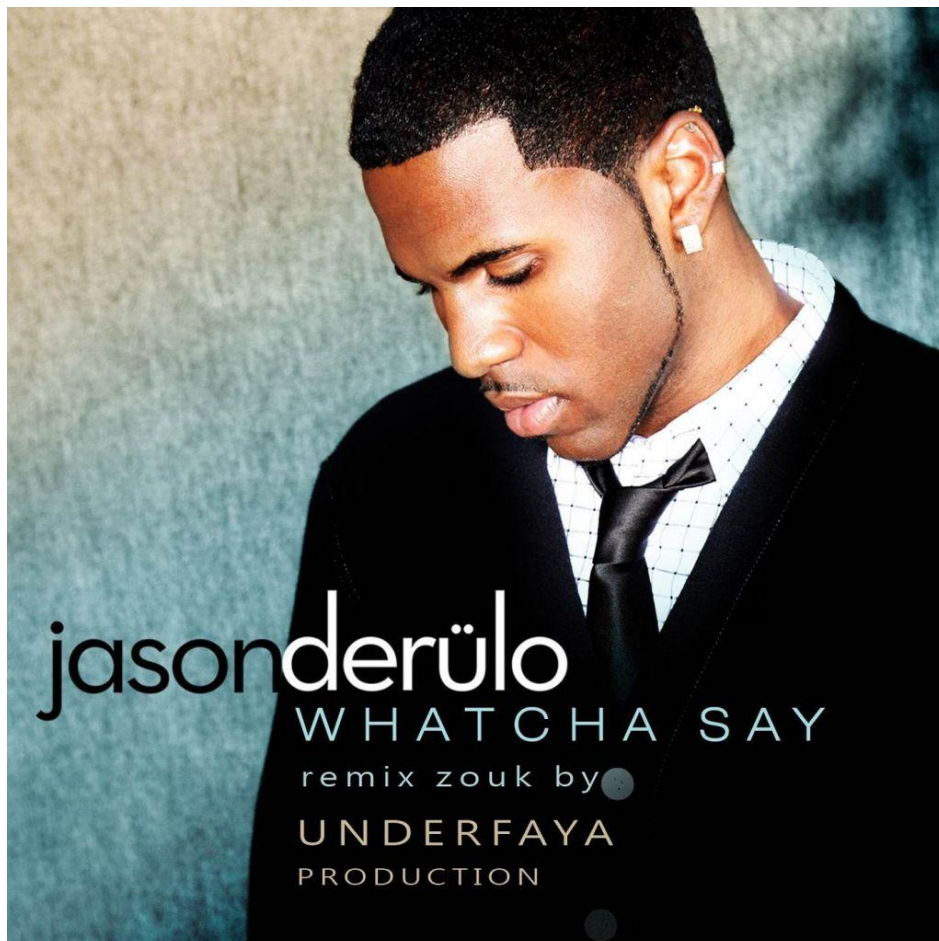



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Derulo in 2010	
Background information	
Birth name	Jason Joel Desrouleaux ^[1]
Born	September 21, 1989 Miami, Florida, U.S.
Genres	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> R&B pop dance
Occupations	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Singer-songwriter dancer choreographer
Years active	2006–present
Labels	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Warner Bros. Records Beluga Heights TM3 Records Music Online Entertainmentz
Associated acts	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Jordin Sparks
Website	jasonderulo.com ^[2]

Jason Joel Desrouleaux (born September 21, 1989), better known by his stage name Jason Derulo (pronunciation respelling of surname), is an American singer-songwriter and dancer. Since the start of his career as a solo recording artist in 2009, Jason has sold over 30 million singles and has achieved five Top 5 singles, including "Talk Dirty", "The Other Side", "Ridin' Solo", "In My Head" and "Whatcha Say".

After producing records for several artists and writing songs for Cash Money Records co-founder Birdman, Young Money Entertainment owner Lil Wayne and rapper Diddy, Derulo signed to minor recording label Beluga Heights. After Beluga Heights became part of the Warner Music Group, Derulo released his debut single "Whatcha Say" in May 2009. It sold over five million digital downloads, gaining an RIAA certification of triple platinum, and reaching number 1 in the U.S. and New Zealand. Derulo released his second single, "In My Head", in December 2009. His debut album, *Jason Derulo*, was released on March 2, 2010. He released his second studio album, *Future History*, on September 16, 2011, the album was preceded by the release of the UK number-one single "Don't Wanna Go Home". Derulo's third album, *Tattoos*, was released on September 24, 2013.

Early life

Jason Joel Desrouleaux was born on September 21, 1989 in Miami, Florida, to Haitian parents.

Career

2006–2010: Beginnings and *Jason Derulo*

Jason Derulo has been writing songs for artists including Diddy, Grant Gaon, Danity Kane, Donnie Klang, Sean Kingston, Cassie, Lil Wayne since he was young, intent on becoming a solo performer. After attending performing arts schools and honing his talents as a singer and dancer, as well as acting in theatre productions like *Ragtime* and *Smokey Joe's Cafe*,^[3] Derulo won the grand prize on the 2006 season finale of the TV show *Showtime at the Apollo*. Derulo was discovered by music producer J. R. Rotem, who signed him to his record label Beluga Heights Records and Warner Bros. Records.

In a HitQuarters interview, Rotem highlighted Derulo's dedication to his art by saying, "Jason Derulo has one of the most impressive work ethics I've ever come across – he just keeps knocking out songs in the studio. That's an amazing quality."

On August 4, 2009, Jason released his debut single, "Whatcha Say". It was produced by J. R. Rotem with additional production by Fuego. The track heavily samples the Imogen Heap song "Hide and Seek". In late August 2009, the song debuted at number 54 on the *Billboard* Hot 100 and hit number 1 in November 2009. The single's music video was released in September 2009; after the single became successful, Derulo began work on his debut album. He released the second single from his album, "In My Head", on December 8, 2009. It debuted at number 63 on the *Billboard* Hot 100, and reached number five.

Derulo's debut album, *Jason Derulo*, stylised with an umlaut as *Jason Derülo*, was released on March 2, 2010. *Jason Derulo* first charted within the top ten of the UK and Irish Albums Charts in early March 2010. He spent six weeks promoting the album in his appearances as one of the opening acts for Lady Gaga's 2009–2010 *The Monster Ball Tour*. The third single of the album is "Ridin' Solo," which was released worldwide on April 26, 2010. By July, the single had reached number nine in the *Billboard* Hot 100. Derulo has also been featured in a song by new artist Will Roush called "Turn it Up," which also features Stat Quo and Young Buck. He also collaborated with UK singer Pixie Lott on a song titled "Coming Home" from the re-released edition of her album *Turn It Up*.

2011–2012: *Future History* and other ventures

In 2011, Derulo recorded a track with Demi Lovato titled "Together" for her album *Unbroken*. His second studio album, *Future History*, was released on September 27, 2011. Derulo is currently detailing his journey recording the album via a series of webisodes that are posted on his official website every Friday. Its lead single, "Don't Wanna Go Home", was released on May 20, 2011. It landed the number-one spot in the UK and in the top five in Australia. Derulo planned to embark on an eight-date UK tour in support of the album in February 2012, including a show at Wembley Arena on March 1. However, on January 3, 2012, while Derulo was rehearsing for his Future History Tour, he broke one of his vertebrae. As a result, he canceled all of his tour dates.

On March 28, 2012, Derulo appeared on *American Idol* to announce he would allow fans to help him finish the lyrics for a new song entitled "Undeclared", as part of a partnership with *American Idol* and Coca Cola. Fans were given the opportunity to submit their own lyrics to complete the song, and fans were then given the chance to vote on which lyrics they liked the most. On May 5, 2012, Derulo announced that his first post-neck injury television performance would be on the eleventh season finale of *American Idol*, on May 22, 2012. In August 2012, Derulo became a dance master alongside Kelly Rowland, for the first season of the Australian dance talent show *Everybody Dance Now*. The show was cancelled shortly after its fourth episode aired due to poor ratings.

On July 9, 2012, Derulo announced that he had signed Australian singer-songwriter Arlene Zelina to his record label Future History (owned with his manager Frank Harris) after he attended one of her performances at Whisky A Go Go in 2011 before she returned to Melbourne, Australia. On July 10, 2012 Derulo confirmed this on his Twitter.

2013–present: *Tattoos*

On April 16, 2013, Derulo released his single, "The Other Side" to radio on April 23, 2013. As of July 4, 2013 "The Other Side" peaked at #18 on the *Billboard* Hot 100. Derulo announced via Twitter that his third album will be called *Tattoos*. The album was released on September 24, 2013. The album's second single, "Talk Dirty", was released internationally on July 27, 2013 (digitally). "Talk Dirty" has peaked at #3 on the "Billboard" Hot 100.

The album features American hip-hop recording artist 2 Chainz; it is the first single from Derulo to contain a feature. The tracks accompanying music video had already been shot and was released in early August 2013.

On July 22, 2013, it was announced that Derulo would be featured on Jordin Sparks' lead single, "Before It Breaks", off of her third album. The single is set to be released on August 1, 2013.^[4] "Marry Me" made its US radio premiere on *On Air with Ryan Seacrest* on August 26, 2013. It is scheduled to be released to all digital retailers as the second single to the U.S. market, third overall, on the same day.^[5] On Wednesday December 11, 2013, he was the headline act for Radio City Live in the Echo Arena, Liverpool. He performed Ridin' Solo and Talk Dirty.

Tours

- 2009–2010 The Monster Ball Tour (opening act)
- 2010 The E.N.D. World Tour (opening act for Canadian dates)
- 2010–2011 Jason Derulo World Tour (headlining)
- 2014 Tattoos World Tour (headlining)

Discography

Albums

- *Jason Derulo* (2010)
- *Future History* (2011)
- *Tattoos* (2013)
- *Talk Dirty* (2014)

Filmography

Television

Year	Title	Role	Notes
2010	<i>Turn the Beat Around</i>	Himself	
2012	<i>Everybody Dance Now</i>	Himself, dance master	Season 1
	<i>State of Georgia</i>	Himself	Season 1, "The Popular Chicks"

Awards and nominations

Year	Organization	Award	Work	Result
2010	Teen Choice Awards	Choice Breakout Male Artist	Himself	Nominated
		Choice R&B Track	"In My Head"	Won
		Choice R&B Album	<i>Jason Derulo</i>	Won
	MTV Video Music Awards	Best Male Video	"In My Head"	Nominated
		Best New Artist	"In My Head"	Nominated
	MTV Europe Music Awards	Best New Act	Himself	Nominated
		Best Push Act	Himself	Nominated
ARIA Music Awards	Most Popular International Artist	Himself	Nominated	
American Music Awards	New Artist of the Year	Himself	Nominated	
2011	NAACP Image Award	Outstanding New Artist	Himself	Nominated
	BMI Pop Music Awards	Songwriter of the Year	"In My Head", "Ridin' Solo", "Whatcha Say, Replay"	Won
		50 Most Performed Songs of the Year	"Replay"	Won
	Teen Choice Awards	Choice Male Artist	Himself	Nominated
		Choice R&B/Hip-Hop Track	"Don't Wanna Go Home"	Nominated
		Choice Summer: Music Star Male	Himself	Nominated
MOBO Awards	Best International Act	Himself	Nominated	
2012	MTV Video Music Awards Japan	Best R&B Video	"It Girl"	Nominated
	MTV Europe Music Awards	Best World Stage Performance	Himself	Nominated
2013	MOBO Awards	Best International Artist	Himself	Nominated

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