



## Dope Calypso (HU) Bio

Come dive into the amazing, glamorous and nonsensical world of **Dope Calypso**, serving you honest rock from Budapest, Hungary. Their sound's like if all of a sudden, garage punk fell deeply in love with the delicate pop music of the late sixties. You could feel this somewhat extraordinary duplexity on their 2014 debut album ***Farewell To The Fairy, Goodbye To The Ghost***, and although that record appeared on all of the relevant Hungarian charts, the perfect lovechild of the two genres was born when the next record (***Banzai! Banzai! Banzai!***, 2015) hit the stores.

This time the two-minute long tracks lined up in full blossom: filled with obscure lyrics, tons of references to pop culture and sacredness, telling absurd stories, while also working perfectly as pop songs. Through their latest albums, (***Mau Mau*** released in 2016 followed by ***Chaka Chaka*** in 2017), they continue maintaining the method of creating and publishing a new record every year, showing everyone, how surprisingly entertaining it is when you are totally unable to take yourself seriously.

Genre-wise, the band is on the move from a Pixies like grunge to a concept based, Pond like synthpop in the past five years, and it seems to suit them well. As a recognition of their talent and hard work, in 2018 they were performing at **Eurosonic Noorderslag**, which made their upcoming gig at **Primavera Sound** possible. So if you like to call yourself an early adopter, consider **Dope Calypso**.

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## Dope Calypso

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## **Awards & Recognitions**

| **2018** Got selected for [Westway Lab Portugal](#)

| **2018** Selected for [Primavera PRO](#)  
Barcelona, Spain

| **2018** Selected for [Eurosonic Noorderslag](#), Gröningen, The Netherlands

| **2016** Winning Hungary's largest online news portal's (Index.hu)the [Dal competition](#), awarded by **Fruzsina Szép** (Berlin Lolapalooza), **Károly Gerendai** (Sziget Festival founder)

| **2016** Winning the **Best Actor** award on the **Independent Hungarian Video Awards** for [Goodbye Monkey](#)

## **Releases**

[Chaka Chaka](#) (LP, 2017)

[Mau Mau](#) (LP, 2016)

[All Hearts Come Home for Christmas](#) (EP, 2016)

[Banzai! Banzai! Banzai!](#) (LP, 2015)

[Farewell to the Fairy, Goodbye to the Ghost](#) (LP, 2014)

[Black Swamp Thing](#) (EP, 2014)

## **Videos**

[Bang Bang](#) (Official Video, 2017)

[Leisure Parts](#) (Official Video, 2017)

[Goodbye Monkey](#) (Official Video, 2015)

[Black Swamp Thing](#) (Official Video, 2014)

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