

# PRESS KIT - Jalen N'Gonda

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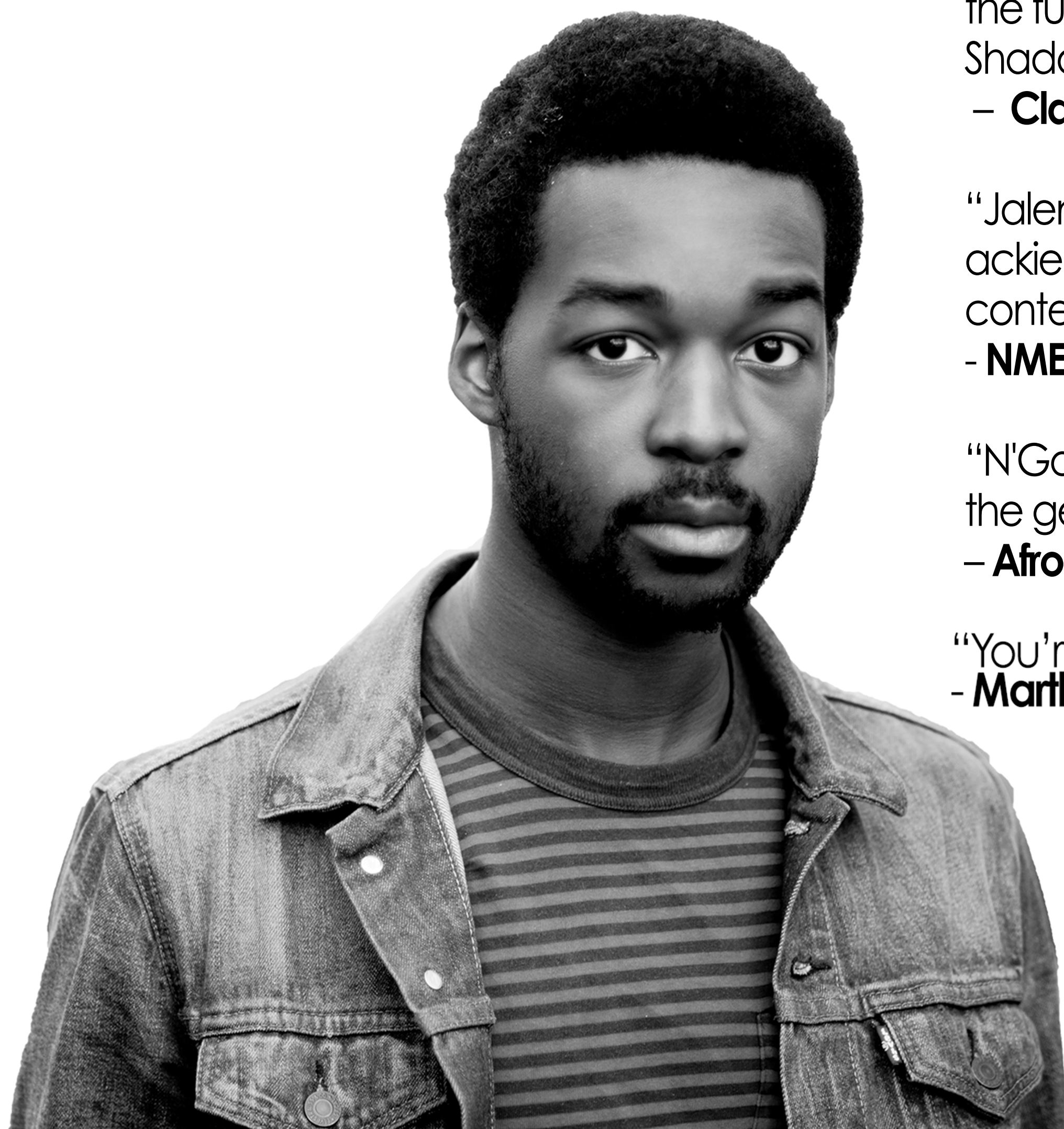
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## BIOGRAPHY

Born in Maryland, USA, Jalen N'Gonda chose the city of Liverpool as the place in which he would flourish as a musician. It was at the age of 11 he began getting into music, inspired by his father's collection of jazz, hip-hop, soul and classical records.

Since moving to Liverpool in 2014 Jalen has been playing gigs across the UK and beyond. Two years later Jalen is selling out his first London headline show, is breaking into the Viral Charts with his debut single and is supporting touring acts such as Laura Mvula, Martha Reeves and Lauryn Hill at the Montreal Jazz Festival.

With his tender soulful voice and bluesy arrangement, Jalen will leave you no choice but to draw you into his world.



"Martha Reeves is a fan, while his music seems to veer between the funky crunch of Daptone and the sweeping indie of Last Shadow Puppets"

– **Clash**

"Jalen N'Gonda's rock'n'roll-meets-soul influences from Jackie Wilson to The Kinks, while also tipping his hat to modern contemporaries"

– **NME**

"N'Gonda's fresh, young interpretation of an old sound redefines the genre while reeling in new audiences"

– **Afropunk**

"You're pretty young to be playing the blues like that!"

– **Martha Reeves**

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