

= Give Me Your Everything =

" Give Me Your Everything " is a song recorded by Romanian vocalist Alexandra Stan for her second studio album titled Unlocked (2014) . The single was made available for digital download on 20 August 2014 . " Give Me Your Everything " was written by Stan , Serban Cazan , LeAnna James , Naz Tokio and Andrei Mihai , while production was handled by Cazan alone . A music video for the song was directed by Vlad Fenesan and debuted on Stan 's YouTube channel , where it has amassed over two million views . The clip shows Stan chasing a masked man in a dark landscape . Upon its release , the video aroused controversy for a scene in which Stan is wearing a white robe with masonic symbols inscribed on its back . Particularly , Urban.ro named the clip " her most bizarre video ever " .

The recording was met with good reviews . Some music critics praised the song 's " Caribbean groove " and Stan 's " hypnotic " and " crystalline " vocals , while others comparing " Give Me Your Everything " to the material featured on Rihanna 's A Girl like Me (2006) . The style of the song has been described as " urban " and " tribal " . During an interview in Spain , Stan explained that " Give Me Your Everything " was written as a present for her Asian and Arabic fans , due to the song 's more oriental style and spiritual meaning .

= = Background = =

In May 2014 , it was announced that Stan would tour in Japan during her Unlocked Tour (2014) for the first time in two years . During the tour , a new track called " Give Me Your Everything " was unveiled at the end of Stan 's concert at Shibuya Womb in Tokyo on 18 July 2015 , with her also confessing that it is scheduled to be released on 27 August 2014 as the fourth single from Unlocked . When asked about the track by her Japanese label Victor Entertainment , Stan felt that she had made a song with an oriental mood , weaving together an African and Asian feel with a Balkan sound " . Particularly , during website Barks 's review of her performance in Tokyo , they called the silver leotard she wore " bold " , while also describing " Give Me Your Everything " as a song having a " violently dark melody " .

= = Recording and composition = =

The song was written by Stan herself , Serban Cazan , LeAnna James , and Naz Tokio ; the production was made by Cazan . It was composed during FonoCamp 2013 , the first international songwriting camp in Romania which was organized by both Fonogram and HaHaHa Studios and held in Azuga . Fellow Romanian and international singers were also present at the two @-@ weeks event , such as Delia Matache , Mohombi , Smiley and Deepcentral . The track was mixed for HaHaHa Production and recorded at Fonogram Studios and HaHaHa Studios . In an interview in Barcelona , Spain , Stan described the song as " more oriental , with a lot of spiritual meaning " . She continued to explain that " Give Me Your Everything " was written as a present for her Arabic and Asian fans due to the song 's vibe . According to Pop Shock , the track is a Caucasian @-@ flavoured mid @-@ tempo ballad . Lyrically , Stan tells her unidentified boyfriend not to be so hard on her , and if he really loves her , he needs to give her his everything . " Give Me Your Everything " consists solely of the phrase " Don 't you be so hard on me / If you love me , come and give me your everything " .

= = Reception = =

Pop Shock praised the song , saying that they didn 't expect Stan to choose such a genre for a track . Pop Shock went on saying that the track " reinvents the cutesy , innuendo @-@ loving Europop star into an exotic vixen of global proportions " . Everything Express noticed similarities to Rihanna 's works , confessing that " the single reminds us that our Romanian pop @-@ poppet can actually sing . " Adictivoz compared " Give Me Your Everything " to Shakira . Pure Charts labelled

the song as " tribal " and " urban " , pointing out the sexual lyrics " I 'm doing limbo / Your body is my temple . " Digital Journal praised the song , confessing that Stan " displays a different style to her artistry . " The song 's Middle Eastern melodic flair " enhances [the song] sonically " . They went on saying that Stan 's vocals are " hypnotic " and " crystalline . " Digital Journal noted that Stan " is not afraid to take risks and try new things . " Direct Lyrics compared " Give Me Your Everything " to the material featured on Rihanna 's A Girl like Me (2006) .

= = Music video = =

= = = Release and synopsis = = =

An accompanying music video for " Give Me Your Everything " premiered on 27 August 2014 on Stan 's YouTube channel , where it has amassed over 2 million views as of December 2015 . It was directed by Vlad Fenesan with production studio Griffon & Swans . The clip is featured on Stan 's Japanese DVD release The Collection . The video opens with a lost Stan that seeks refuge in a dark forest full of fog and smoke , sporting a black cloak and holding a violet flame in her hand that guides her . Afterwards , she encounters a mysterious black @-@ clothed person whose face cannot be seen . After performing a choreography with her fellow backup dancers , she steps into a white realm full of light . Subsequently , the mysterious person appears again and Stan chases him whereby she enters a pitch @-@ black room . Following this , she performs a dance act in front of more mirrors . Afterwards , Stan is shown wearing a white robe and walking through a jungle @-@ like setting . After encountering the mysterious person again , the video ends with her removing his mask to see his true identity . Scenes interspersed through the main video show Stan dancing with her black @-@ clothed background dancers .

= = = Analysis and controversy = = =

Urban.ro praised the music video for being " exceptional " , while also naming it " her most bizarre video ever " . They also pointed out the use of masonic symbols by displaying a screenshot of the video where Stan is wearing a white cloak and pointing out inscriptions on the back of the screen . The symbols inscribed are the pyramid and Ra . " These are the most obvious moments of video ; the rest is suggested . " Urban.ro compared the man , which Stan is chasing , to a demon , due to his black clothing . They went on to compare one scene of the video to Beyoncé 's clip for her song , " Grown Woman " (2013) . Pro TV felt that the clip for " Give Me Your Everything " is very different from her previous works . They felt that the video showed a more daring side of Stan , compared to her previous videos featuring " summerly @-@ dressed dancers " , due to the incorporation of religious and cultural references . Direct Lyrics has cited that : " Just like the song , the ' Give Me Your Everything ' visual also has dark vibe . " They went on into saying that the clip " will definitely keep your on your seat till the end . "

= = Credits and personnel = =

Credits are adapted from the liner notes of Unlocked .

Recording

Produced for HaHaHa Production in Bucharest , Romania .

Recorded at Fonogram Studios in Bucharest , Romania .

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Personnel

Dimitri Caceaune ? photography

?erban Cazan ? songwriting , producing

LeeAnna James ? songwriting

Andrei Mihai ? songwriting

Alexandra Stan ? lead vocals , songwriting
Naz Tokio ? songwriting

= = Track listing = =

Digital download

" Give Me Your Everything " ? 3 : 25

= = Release history = =