

Hall of Fame (song)

"**Hall of Fame**" is a song by Irish pop rock band the Script featuring American rapper will.i.am of the Black Eyed Peas. It is the lead single from the band's third studio album #3. The track was given its first radio play on Capital on 23 July 2012.^[1] Written and co-produced by the band, the song is about following dreams and making an impact on the world. The song has been licensed for use in various media since its release.

Background

The Script frontman Danny O'Donoghue first met will.i.am while they were both judges for The Voice UK. O'Donoghue said: "We went to the recording studio and an hour and a half later we had the song in its entirety. I thought he was going to produce it but he just gave it to me and Mark (Sheehan) and said 'you guys go and produce it'."^[2] Of the collaboration O'Donoghue said: "We were trying to play it super cool - us with will.i.am! We heard him singing some of our lines, but we still didn't know what he was going to do. We were worried he might take some of our original song out. But he just sang our words."^[3] The musical note structure interpolates "I Hope You Dance" by country singer Lee Ann Womack. According to Musicnotes, "Hall of Fame" is written in the key of G minor with a tempo of 88 beats per minute.^[4]

Lyrics and interpretation

The lyrics, written by O'Donoghue, focus on perseverance and making a difference. As reported in *The Guardian*, "O'Donoghue's real metier is lyrics: he's a striking and emotional storyteller".^[5] *Billboard* describes the song as "a swelling, piano-driven number with an uplifting, earworm of a chorus that soars, 'Standing in the hall of fame / And the world's gonna know your name / Cause you burn with the brightest flame.'"^[6] O'Donoghue explains that this song was

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Single by the Script featuring will.i.am
from the album #3

Released	20 August 2012
Recorded	2012
Length	3:22
Label	<u>Epic</u> · <u>Phonogenic</u>
Songwriter(s)	<u>Danny O'Donoghue</u> · <u>Mark Sheehan</u> · <u>James Barry</u>
Producer(s)	<u>Danny O'Donoghue</u> · <u>Mark Sheehan</u> · <u>Jimbo Barry</u>

The Script singles chronology

<u>"Science & Faith"</u> (2011)	<u>"Hall of Fame"</u> (2012)	<u>"Six Degrees of Separation"</u> (2012)
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will.i.am singles chronology

<u>"This Is Love"</u> (2012)	<u>"Hall of Fame"</u> (2012)	<u>"In My City"</u> (2012)
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Audio sample

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