

# MUSEBOXD.

**Project Title:** Museboxd: a social discovery for all music.

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## **Abstract**

Museboxd, inspired by the functionality of Letterboxd but tailored for music, transforms the global music discovery and interaction experience by centralizing content around songs, artists, and their creators. While Letterboxd focuses on films and connecting cinephiles through reviews, ratings, and curated lists, Museboxd extends a similar ethos to the music domain, serving as a hub for music lovers and creators. Some core concepts to be incorporated would include: Cataloging and Exploration, Community Engagement, Creator Visibility.

The unique value that Museboxd would add for the Music Industry are to integrate APIs like Genius for detailed lyrical and metadata content, Spotify for seamless music playback, and social APIs to foster community interaction. This makes it a one-stop platform for music exploration and social networking. It aims to bridge the gap between fans and creators, enabling fans to delve deeper into the music they love and offering artists a direct connection to their audience.

In essence, Museboxd seeks to redefine music discovery and appreciation, doing for music what Letterboxd does for films—providing an interactive, inclusive, and data-rich platform that appeals to both casual listeners and music enthusiasts globally.

## Objectives

1. Provide users with a robust database of song lyrics, annotations, and artist details.
2. Offer insights into song credits, including writers, producers, and contributing artists.
3. Enable real-time music discovery by showcasing what other users and artists are listening to.
4. Build a vibrant community where users can share playlists, recommend music, and engage socially.
5. Foster deeper connections between fans and creators by providing metadata-rich content.

## Proposed Functionalities

1. **Lyrics Integration:**
  - Fetch and display lyrics using the Genius API.
  - Include annotations for specific lyrics to provide deeper context (e.g., meanings, historical relevance).
2. **Detailed Song Credits:**
  - Use Genius or Discogs API to show credits like songwriters, producers, and album contributors.
  - Showcase artist discography and collaborative works.
3. **Playback Features:**
  - Integrate Spotify API to allow users to preview songs and create playlists.
  - Enable "Now Playing" to show what artists or users are currently listening to.
4. **Social Music Discovery:**
  - Allow users to create and share playlists.
  - Highlight popular and trending music within the community.
  - Enable following friends, artists, and producers to explore their music preferences.

## SDG Goals Addressed

1. **SDG 8: Decent Work and Economic Growth**

- Promotes recognition for behind-the-scenes contributors like songwriters and producers.

2. **SDG 9: Industry, Innovation, and Infrastructure**

- Leverages digital tools to modernize music discovery and interaction.

3. **SDG 10: Reduced Inequalities**

- Provides exposure to emerging artists, enabling global reach.

4. **SDG 11: Sustainable Cities and Communities**

- Creates a digital community focused on cultural exchange and connection through music.

### **Potential Impact**

Museboxd can become a go-to platform for music lovers by combining the ease of accessing lyrics and song details with the fun and engagement of social discovery. It empowers artists to connect directly with fans, enhances user experience with metadata-rich music exploration, and fosters a sense of global community.