

for release the weekend of May 29 or after

Yaf Swamy and Gio Cabriales share with us an intimate project in which they blend music, photography and writing to express the pain of having a loved one forcefully disappeared



The CDMX experimental music trio Yaf Swamy reflects on the forced disappearance of a loved one through their new single that premieres on May 29. "Nueces" is a transmedia project in collaboration with the Chihuahuan photographer Giovani Ontiveros Cabriales (ig: @satanas.1313). This joint project composed of a single and a photo book offers an intimate look into the crude, violent situation that exists in Mexico and the feelings of pain, frustration, loss and uncertainty that one experiences when a loved one has been disappeared. This project was conceived with the intention of raising awareness and empathy towards the cases of forceful disappearance that happen everyday in Mexico and in the whole of Latin America.'

Yaf Swamy is a Mexico City based band that was born in late 2020. Their projects have an unconventional approach to the creative process. Whether it is making content hand in hand with artificial intelligence or creating soundscapes with experimental production techniques, and mixing influences ranging from Hyperpop to Latin American Folklore, Yaf Swamy tries to push the creative boundaries' established in the music industry.



Gio Cabriales is a photographer from Jimenez, Chihuahua. He explores the sense of community built off of the experience of violence in Mexico through his work. His work often involves themes of the LGBTQ+ community, portraying the diverse faces, bodies and expressions through his portraits. Cabriales' photographs have been exhibited in different media outlets ([i-d Vice](#), [Vissual Agression Mag](#), [33 Magazine](#) ...)

"Nueces" is a single that will be released in conjunction with an artist booklet that includes the photographic and literary work of Gio Cabriales. This joint project touches on important issues in Mexico, bringing focus to forced disappearances which is generally avoided by the public. Musically, Yaf Swamy merge the unconventional approach of production with an atmosphere of intimacy to produce the immersive sound of an organic acoustic performance. Simultaneously the photobook submerges us into Cabriales' perspective, as he guides the reader through his own writing that helped him grieve through the disappearance of his loved one. "Nueces" is an intimate and sentimental statement that gives a message of protest against the injustices that exist in our country.